



DB-90 METRONOME Dr. Beat

Q&A



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How Do I Set the Metronome Mode?

The DB-90 contains two metronome modes: Beat and Pattern. Beat mode produces a traditional single quarter-note-style beat. Pattern mode contains rhythms that utilize drum instrument tones such as kick and snare. Use the following steps to audition different beats and patterns.

- 1 Press the POWER button to turn on the DB-90.
- 2 Press TEMPO, and then turn the TEMPO/VALUE dial to adjust the tempo as desired.

Tip: You can also adjust the tempo by pressing the TAP button repeatedly.

- 3 Press the BEAT/PATTERN button until “BEAT” is flashing in the upper right of the display.
- 4 Press START/STOP to start the metronome.
- 5 Move the VOL slider to adjust the volume.
- 6 Move the Rhythm Level sliders to adjust the rhythm accents.
- 7 Turn the TEMPO/VALUE dial to audition different beat types.
- 8 Press BEAT/PATTERN once—“PATTERN” flashes in the display.
- 9 Turn the TEMPO/VALUE dial to select different rhythms.
- 10 Press START/STOP when you’re finished.



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How Do I Change the Metronome Tone?

There are four different metronome tones, or voices, to choose from in the DB-90. Use the following steps to select the desired tone.

- 1 Press **BEAT/PATTERN** so “**BEAT**” is flashing in the display.
- 2 Press **START/STOP**.
- 3 Press **VOICE** — “**VOICE**” flashes in the left side of the display.
- 4 Turn the **TEMPO/VALUE** dial to scroll through the four voices.
- 5 Press **START/STOP** when you’re finished.



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How Do I Store Beats or Rhythms in the DB-90?

Each of the 50 memory locations in the DB-90 can store one of your own custom-created beats or rhythms. Use the following steps to store a beat in a memory location.

- 1 Create a custom beat.
- 2 With the metronome stopped, press the WRITE button.
- 3 Turn the TEMPO/VALUE dial to choose a memory location for your custom beat, from 1-50.
- 4 Press WRITE.



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How Do I SELECT MEMORIES IN THE DB-90?

The DB-90 comes with 50 memory locations that contain preset beats or rhythms. Each memory location can store one of your own custom beats or rhythms. Use the following steps to select memories:

- 1 Press the MEMORY button.
- 2 Turn the TEMPO/VALUE dial to select one of the memory locations.
- 3 Press START.
- 4 Use the VOL slider to adjust the volume as desired.

Tip: If you like, you can continue to select other memories with the TEMPO/VALUE dial while the metronome is playing.

- 5 Press START/STOP, and then press BEAT/PATTERN when you're finished.



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How Do I Use LOOP PLAY MODE?

Loop Play mode is a feature that loops the metronome memories in a series. Use the following steps to use Loop Play mode.

- 1 Press **MEMORY**.
- 1 Turn the **TEMPO/VALUE** dial to choose the memory location with which you'd like to start.
- 2 Press the **LOOP** button—"LOOP" appears in the display.
- 3 Press **START/STOP** to start the metronome. The memories automatically scroll from one to another sequentially.
- 4 Press **START/STOP** to stop the metronome, and then press **BEAT/PATTERN** to exit Loop Play mode.



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How Do I Find DB-90 ARTICLES IN THE ROLANDUS.COM KNOWLEDGE BASE?

- 1 Point your browser to the DB-90 [Support area](#) on RolandUS.com.
- 2 Click “Knowledge Base.”
If you’re not already logged into Roland Backstage, the Roland Backstage login appears.
- 3 If you’re:
 - *a Roland Backstage member*—enter your email address and password, and then click the Login button.
 - *not yet a Roland Backstage member*—click “Create New Profile” to create a free new user account. As a Roland Backstage member, you become part of the online Roland US.com community and gain access to helpful tools and services.
- 4 Once you’re logged in, click the large Knowledge Base button.
- 5 On the Knowledge Base screen, enter “DB-90” in the Product field.
- 6 Click the Find button in the middle of the screen to browse the available DB-90 Knowledge Base articles.