

# D'Pinga2 Guira

Version 1.0

**User's Manual** 

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# Introduction

This document is a very brief introduction to the PulpoAudio D'Pinga2 Guira instrument. It covers the description of the instruments parameters and a description of the sound/midi key mapping.



Figure 1: D'Pinga2 Guira User Interface

Please refer also to the manual of the Tentacle Player for a documentation of further possibilities and features of the Tentacle Player. It is available at <u>https://www.pulpoaudio.com</u>

# Programs

For the D'Pinga2 Guira instrument, 2 physical Guiras have been recorded, each one un-muted and muted with a sponge in its body.

Four programs are available:

- Guira 1 (physical Guira 1, muted with a sponge)
- Guira 2 (physical Guira 1, un-muted)
- Guira 3 (physical Guira 2, muted with a sponge)
- Guira 4 (physical Guira 2, un-muted)

All programs share the same midi key mapping.

All strokes (respectively notes) are based on 6 velocity layers and a 4x round-robin.

# **Monophonic Groups**

Due to the nature of the real instrument, the entire virtual instrument is a monophonic group. This means that only one sound (respectively only one note) will be reproduced at a time. Notes that are hit while a previous note is still playing are going to cut the previous note according to the Transitions Settings.

## **Parameters**

### **Global Parameters**

#### VSens

Velocity Sensitivity ranges from 0 (no sensitivity at all) to 1.0 (full sensitivity) and then further to 2.0 (extended, exponential sensitivity). As the samples of this instrument are not processed (low velocity samples have a lower volume by nature), velocity sensitivity can be left at 0.0.

#### TuneSt

Detune the entire instrument by this amount of semitones (-24 to +24)

#### TuneCt

Fine detune the entire instrument by this amount of semitones (-0.5 to +0.5)

#### Pan

Move the entire instrument in panorama as the value indicates (Left -100% to 100% Right)

Vol

Raise or lower the instrument volume by this amount of dB (-infinite to +24dB)

## **Transitions Settings**

All sounds (respectively notes) in a monophonic group will be reproduced in a monophonic manner. Notes that are hit while a previous note is still playing are going to cut the previous note according to the these settings.

#### Release

Amount of seconds (0 to 20) that we give the prior note to fade out (if its set to 0 then the cut may sound a bit harsh). Use small values in order to simulate a percussion instrument's model (0.1 to 0.2 seconds).

#### Offset

Amount of seconds (0 to 20) that the new note will skip from the beginning (we could skip the attack portion, e.g.).

#### Attack

Amount of seconds (0 to 20) that we give the new note to fade in (we could soften the attack this way). Use small values in order to simulate a percussion instrument's model (0.1 to 0.2 seconds).

## Stroke Control ("Vol")

All of the notes of this instrument are grouped in stroke types. For the Guira these are:

- Tips all tip strokes (midi keys 67 to 71)
- Downs all down strokes (midi keys 72,74,76,78)
- Ups all up strokes (midi keys 73,75,77,79)
- Swishes all swish strokes (midi keys 80,81,82)
- Turns all turn strokes (midi keys 83,84,85)

(Please refer to the midi mapping table in this document for a graphical representation.)

Using these gain controls you can control the volume of stroke types relatively to each other.

#### Envelope

Global envelope settings give us the possibility to modify the envelope that is applied to each single note.

#### Attack

Amount of seconds (0 to 20) that we give a sound to fade in (we could soften the attack this way).

#### Hold

Amount of seconds (0 to 20) that we hold the level at 0.0dB after attack.

#### Decay

Amount of seconds (0 to 20) that the decay (to sustain level) will take.

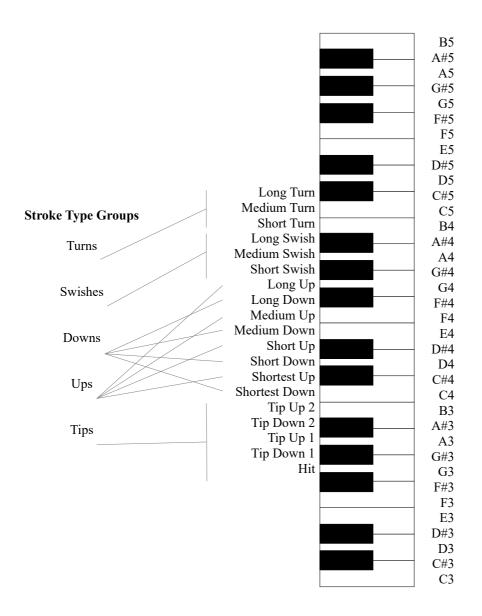
#### Sustain

Level in dB that the sustain portion will be played at

#### Release

Amount of seconds (0 to 20) that we give the sound to fade out when the key is released.

## Midi Key Mapping



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