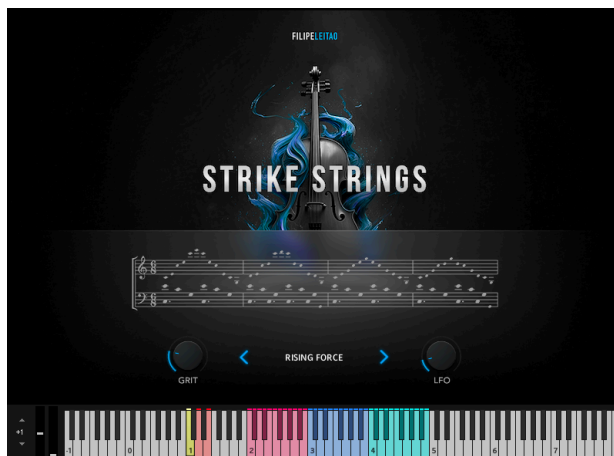


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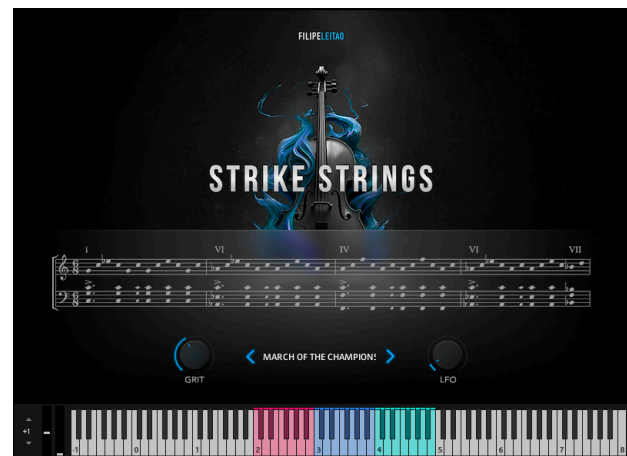
## User Manual

### Overview

**Strike Strings** is a cinematic string instrument designed for instant inspiration and effortless performance. It provides powerful, pre-orchestrated string phrases and chord performances ideal for film, games, pop, and hybrid orchestral music.



Strike Strings - Chords.nki



Strike Strings - Phrases.nki

### Specifications

- Kontakt Player 8 or newer
- Runs in the free version of Kontakt Player
- 2 NKIs: Phrases.nki and Chords.nki
- Works with any DAW that supports Kontakt

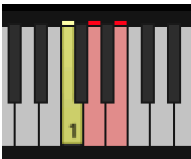
# Chords.nki – Chord-Based String Performances

Strike Strings - Chords.nki offers 15 customizable chord performance styles. Each preset can be shaped using **Major**, **Minor**, or **Sus4** chords via key switches. Perfect for harmonic beds and rhythmic string movements.

## Key Features:

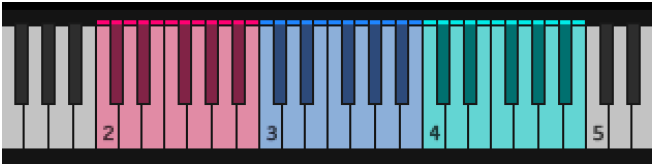
- 15 chord performance styles
- Customizable chord types using Key Switches:

Chord Type	Key Switch
Major	C1
Minor	D1
Sus4	E1



- Playable in three distinct mix layers:

Mix Type	Key Range
Full Strings	C2 – B2
Low Strings	C3 – B3
High Strings	C4 – B4



## How to Use:

1. Select a chord type using a key switch (C1–E1).
2. Play a note within C2–B4 to hear the selected style and mix.

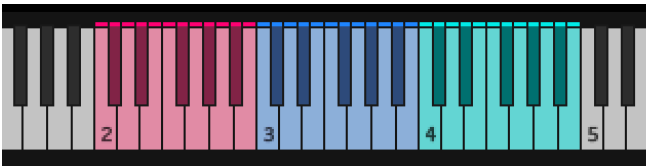
# Phrases.nki – Performance-Based String Phrases

Strike Strings - Phrases.nki delivers 17 performed string phrase styles, recorded in all keys and mapped across three mix types: Full, Low, and High. Designed for immediate cinematic results, this NKI makes it easy to explore themes and ideas without manual sequencing.

## Key Features:

- 17 unique phrase styles
- Available in all 12 keys
- Instantly playable in three mix variations:

Mix Type	Key Range
Full Strings	C2 – B2
Low Strings	C3 – B3
High Strings	C4 – B4



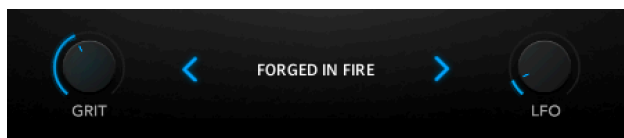
## How to Use:

Simply play a note within the desired range (C2–B4) to trigger a phrase in that mix and key.



## Controls

Both NKI instruments include two powerful knobs for real-time sound shaping:



**GRIT:** Adds saturation and edge to the sound, enhancing aggressiveness and power.

🔧 Use this to push the strings forward in the mix, especially in action or hybrid tracks.

**LFO:** Applies rhythmic modulation for movement and texture.

🔧 Perfect for hybrid compositions or adding dynamic pulse to static chords.



## Tips for Best Use

- **Mix and Match Presets and Mixes:** You can load multiple instances of Strike Strings to combine different presets. For example: Load Chords.nki using the Full Mix of the **Forged in Fire** preset, and another Chords.nki with the High Mix of the **Rising Force** preset to create a layered, evolving string texture.
- **Explore Time Signatures:** Both NKIs include presets in various time signatures — 4/4, 5/4, 6/8, and 7/8 — allowing you to create more rhythmic variety in your arrangements.
- **Automate Controls:** Use your DAW's automation tools to manipulate GRIT and LFO over time, adding motion and intensity to your track.



## Bonus MIDI Collection

Strike Strings includes a massive MIDI collection! Inside the downloadable package, you'll find 744 MIDI files ready to drag and drop into your DAW. This includes:

**MIDI Chords:** 540 MIDI files from 15 unique chord performance styles — each available in Major, Minor, and Sus4 versions across all keys.

**MIDI Phrases:** 204 MIDI files from the expressive phrase performances.

Use these MIDI files with any instrument — strings, brass, woodwinds, synths — to build dynamic, customizable layers for your productions.