

PREVERB — Install & Compatibility Guide

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Will Preverb work for me?

Short version: if you make music in any major DAW on Mac or Windows, yes.

Preverb is a 64-bit **VST3 + AU (Audio Unit)** effect plugin for **macOS and Windows**. One license key activates both platforms — buy once, install on your Mac and your PC.

System Requirements

	macOS	Windows
OS version	macOS 10.13 High Sierra or newer	Windows 10 or newer (64-bit)
Chip	Intel and Apple Silicon (M1–M4) — native universal build, no Rosetta needed	Any modern 64-bit CPU
Formats	VST3 + AU	VST3
DAW	Any 64-bit DAW that loads VST3 or AU	Any 64-bit DAW that loads VST3

No iLok, no dongle. License key arrives instantly by email after checkout.

DAW Compatibility

DAW	Works?	Format to use
Ableton Live (10.1+)	Yes	VST3 (Mac + Win) or AU (Mac)
FL Studio	Yes	VST3 (Mac + Win)
Logic Pro	Yes	AU
GarageBand	Yes	AU
Studio One	Yes	VST3 (or AU on Mac)
Cubase / Nuendo	Yes	VST3
Reaper	Yes	VST3 (or AU on Mac)
Bitwig Studio	Yes	VST3
Reason (12+)	Yes	VST3
Cakewalk / Sonar	Yes	VST3
Maschine (2.17+)	Yes	VST3
Pro Tools	Not natively	See note below

Pro Tools note: Pro Tools only loads Avid's AAX format and Preverb does not currently ship AAX. Pro Tools users *can* run Preverb inside a plugin wrapper such as **Blue Cat's PatchWork** or **DDMF Metaplugin** (both load VST3 inside an AAX shell).

Not supported: Linux · iPad/iOS (including Logic Pro for iPad) · 32-bit systems or DAWs · VST2-only hosts (e.g., Ableton Live 9 or earlier — VST3 needs Live 10.1+).

Where to Install

Platform	Format	Path
macOS	VST3	/Library/Audio/Plug-Ins/VST3
macOS	AU	/Library/Audio/Plug-Ins/Components
Windows	VST3	C:\Program Files\Common Files\VST3

Troubleshooting — "I installed it but my DAW can't see it"

1. Restart the DAW first. Most DAWs only scan for new plugins at launch.

2. Force a rescan:

- **Ableton Live:** Settings → Plug-Ins → toggle "Use VST3 Plug-In System Folders" off/on, then Rescan
- **FL Studio:** Options → Manage Plugins → Find More Plugins (verify "VST3" scan path is on)
- **Logic / GarageBand:** restart the app; if still missing, Logic → Settings → Plug-In Manager → select Preverb → Reset & Rescan
- **Studio One:** Options → Locations → VST Plug-Ins → Reset Blocklist, then rescan
- **Cubase:** Studio → VST Plug-in Manager → rescan
- **Reaper:** Options → Preferences → VST → Re-scan

3. Mac says the plugin "can't be verified" or blocks it: this is normal for plugins downloaded outside the App Store — a one-time approval:

- Open your DAW once so the warning appears, then go to **System Settings → Privacy & Security**, scroll down, and click "**Open Anyway**" next to the Preverb message. Rescan plugins or restart your DAW. (You may need to do this twice — once for the VST3, once for the AU.)
- AU still won't validate in Logic/GarageBand? **Restart your Mac** (clears Apple's AU registrar cache), then reopen the DAW.
- Last resort — paste into Terminal (fixes both at once):
`xattr -dr com.apple.quarantine /Library/Audio/Plug-Ins/VST3/Preverb.vst3 xattr -dr com.apple.quarantine /Library/Audio/Plug-Ins/Components/Preverb.component`

4. Apple Silicon: Preverb runs native — you do **not** need Rosetta.

5. Windows: confirm `Preverb.vst3` exists in `C:\Program Files\Common Files\VST3`. If your DAW uses a custom VST3 scan folder, add that path in the DAW's plugin settings — don't relocate the file.

6. It loads but you can't find it in the browser: look under **Effects → Reverb** (or search "Preverb"). It's an audio *effect* — drop it on a track, not in an instrument slot.

License & Activation

- **One license = both platforms.** Activate on your Mac *and* your Windows machine with the same key.
- Key arrives **instantly by email** after checkout (check spam/promotions if it's not there in 5 minutes).
- Lost your key? Email beau@lowendcandy.com from your purchase email and we'll resend it.

Still stuck? Email beau@lowendcandy.com with your DAW + OS version and we'll get you running.