



Sonnox Toolbar

User Guide

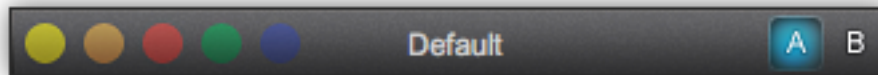


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1 Introduction

All of the Oxford Plug-Ins include a proprietary preset manager, implemented as part of the Sonnox Toolbar, which is displayed at the top of the plug-in window.



The reasoning behind this is to allow increased portability of your presets across all host applications, while also providing a consistent and versatile interface. While most host applications allow the creation and loading of presets, those host-created preset files are not portable between different host applications. The Sonnox Preset Manager does allow very flexible portability. The Toolbar also includes Undo/Redo and A/B features.

2 Supported Products and Platforms

- Sonnox Fraunhofer Pro-Codec Plug-In
- Oxford DeClicker
- Oxford DeBuzzer
- Oxford DeNoiser
- Oxford Envolution

The Sonnox Elite plug-ins (EQ, Dynamics, Inflator, Limiter TransMod, Reverb, SuprEsser) use an older generation of the Sonnox Toolbar. For help with this version, refer to the older ‘*Oxford Preset Manager*’ user guide, available [here](#).

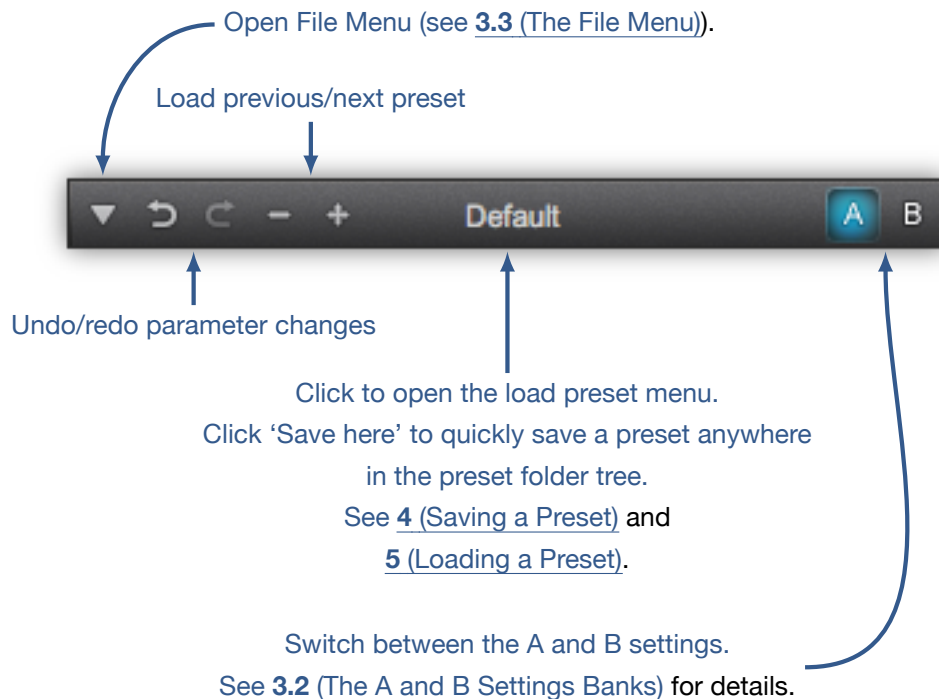
Note:

Please refer to the Sonnox website (www.sonnox.com) or individual product manuals (www.sonnox.com/docs) for latest compatibility and platform specific details.

3 Overview of Controls

The Sonnox Toolbar contains the Preset Manager and other useful controls such as **Undo** and **Redo**. Using the Preset Manager for Oxford Plug-Ins, you can create any number of presets and recall them for later use. These presets are compatible across all supported host DAWs and operating systems. You can also use the Toolbar to copy settings between different plug-in instances, or to copy the active (visible) plug-in settings to the clipboard as text.

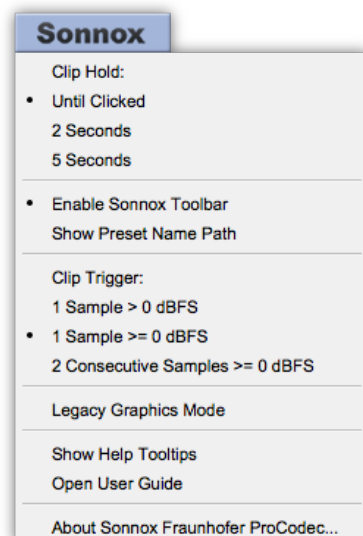
3.1 Main controls



The Toolbar can be enabled or disabled from the menu accessed by clicking the Sonnox button.

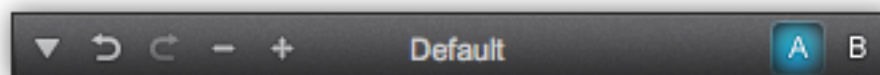
'**Show Preset Name Path**' can also be enabled or disabled from this menu. Click '**About...**' to display the version number and build date of the plug-in.

Please refer to individual product manuals at www.sonnox.com/docs for descriptions of the other Sonnox button menu items.



3.2 The A and B Settings Banks

The **A** and **B** buttons on the Toolbar provide access to the two independent banks of settings available for each plug-in instance. Both of these banks of settings are saved and restored with the project/session, as is the selection of the active (currently used) bank.



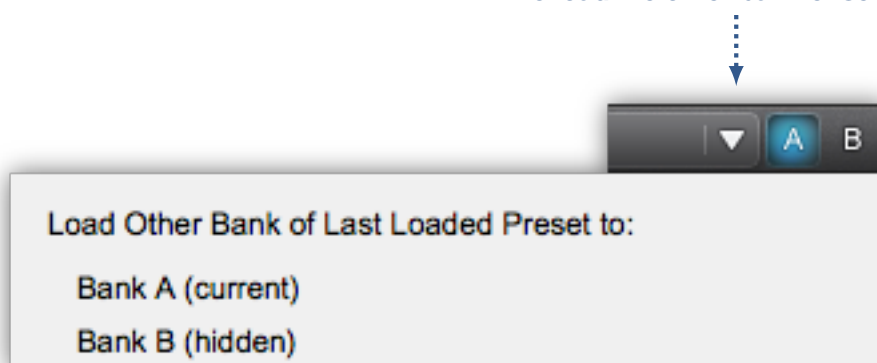
Here, **A** is **active** and **B** is inactive.

Both sets of settings are saved in host format presets (.aupreset, .vstpreset, .tfx) and in Sonnox Toolbar presets (.spt). The selection of the active bank is also saved.

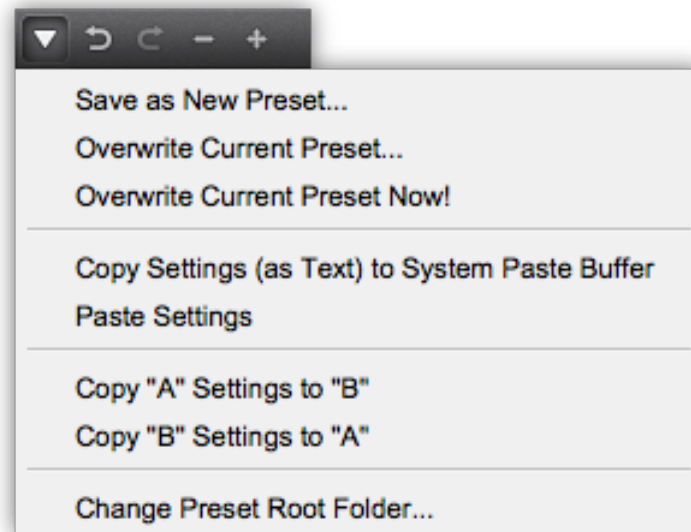
This means that both banks of settings in the plug-in will be overwritten when loading a host format preset via the host's preset manager.

When loading any preset with the Sonnox Toolbar, only the active bank is loaded. The inactive bank can be loaded afterwards if desired. This allows two different presets to be loaded into the plug-in for A/B comparison.

Use the additional load options menu to load the other bank of settings.



3.3 The File Menu



Save As New Preset...

Invokes a save-as dialog to save a preset anywhere on your file system.

Overwrite Current Preset...

Overwrites the current (last loaded) preset file's active settings bank with the plug-in's active settings bank

Overwrite Current Preset Now!

Overwrites the current (last loaded) preset file's active settings bank with the plug-in's active settings bank, with no confirmation dialog.

Copy Settings (as text) to System Paste Buffer

Copies the active settings to allow pasting to another instance.

Paste Settings

Pastes copied settings into the active settings bank.

Copy "A" Settings to "B"

Copies settings between banks of a single instance. (See section [3.2 \(The A and B Settings Banks\)](#) for details.)

Copy "B" Settings to "A"

Copies settings between banks of a single instance. (See section [3.2 \(The A and B Settings Banks\)](#) for details.)

Change Preset Root Folder

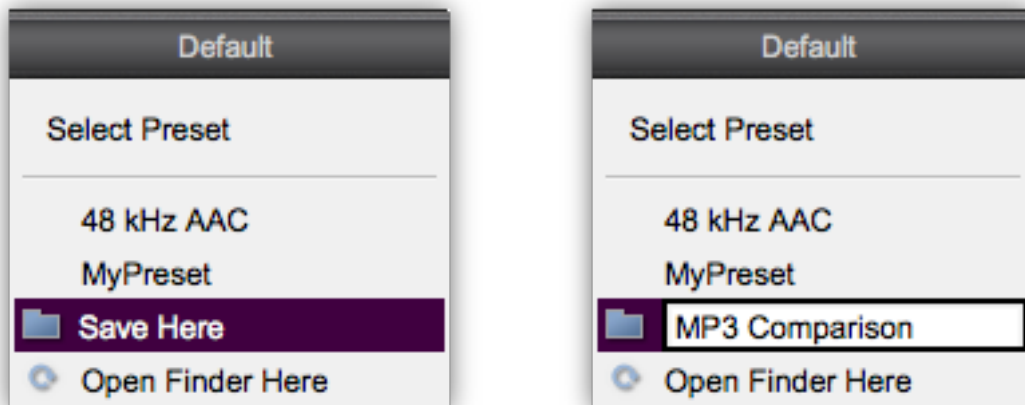
Changes the folder shown in the preset menu.

4 Saving a Preset

There are two ways to save a new preset:

Quick save ('Save here')

To save a preset quickly, open the preset menu and click '**Save here**' at the bottom of the menu. Then just type a preset name and press **ENTER/RETURN**.



This is available in every subfolder in the preset menu, which allows presets to quickly be saved anywhere in your preset root folder without opening a dialog window.

Save as new preset

To save a preset outside your root folder, open the File menu (the left-most down arrow button) and click 'Save as new preset'. This will open a dialog window, where you can save a preset anywhere in your file system or connected external storage devices.

When saving a preset, both the **A** and **B** settings banks are saved, as is the state of the **A/B** button. See section [3.2 \(The A and B Settings Banks\)](#) for details.

4.1 Overwriting existing presets with new settings

You can also overwrite the last-loaded preset with the current plug-in settings:

Overwrite current preset...

Click this to overwrite the settings in the last-loaded preset.

Overwrite current preset now!

Click this to suppress the confirmation dialog window.

Note:

Just like when saving a preset, overwriting a preset will overwrite both the **A** and **B** banks of the preset with the plug-in settings, as well as the state of the **A/B** button.

5 Loading a Preset

To load a preset, just click the preset name to open the preset menu, and select a new preset from the list! See section [3.2 \(The A and B Settings Banks\)](#) for details about how preset loads interact with the **A** and **B** settings banks.

For some plug-ins (such as the Pro-Codec), the available settings changes with different sample rates and channel configurations. For example, a preset saved with a Mono Pro-Codec instance at 96 kHz will not be compatible with a stereo instance at 44.1 kHz. Incompatible presets are shown in the preset menu with greyed out text, and cannot be loaded.

6 Copying settings between plug-in instances

The Sonnox Toolbar contains a settings buffer that can be used for quick copies. This can be accessed via the **'Copy settings...'** and **'Paste settings...'** selections in the File menu. This mechanism can be used to quickly copy settings between alternate instances of a plug-in, possibly in different tracks in the mix.

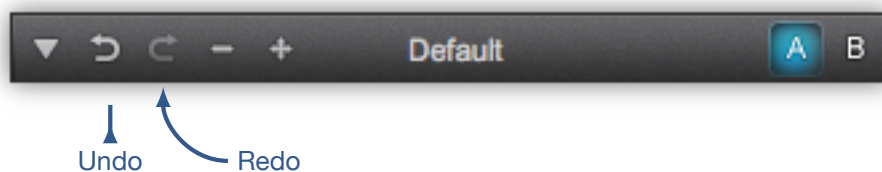
This operates in the same way as a preset load – after selecting **'Paste settings'** only the active bank of the instance copied from will be loaded. The additional load options menu button will appear, allowing you to load the other bank of settings if required. See section [3.2 \(The A and B Settings Banks\)](#) for details.

Note:

Note that these settings are copied as text into the **system paste buffer**. This allows them to be pasted as text elsewhere, as a quick way of sharing settings without needing to save preset files.

7 Undo and Redo

The Sonnox Toolbar maintains sixteen levels of Undo and Redo. This functionality is accessed using the Undo (left arrow) and Redo (right arrow) buttons in the top left corner of the Toolbar.



The Toolbar intelligently filters out multiple repeated parameter changes. So, for example, if the Master IN button is toggled many times to A/B compare the dry and processed sound, older parameter changes will still be undoable!

8 Preset Paths

8.1 User Presets

Mac

/Users/<your username>/Music/Sonnox/Presets

Windows

\Users\<your username>\Documents\Sonnox\Presets

8.1.1 Changing your user presets path

To change your preset root folder (the top-level folder shown in the preset menu), just select "Change Preset Root Folder" in the File Menu, and browse to a new folder.

Factory presets will still be shown in the load preset menu.

8.2 Factory Presets

Mac

Factory presets are stored inside the plug-in bundle.

Windows

\Program Files\Sonnox\Oxford Plugins\Presets

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