

# Ventris Dual Reverb User Guide



# Welcome

Thank you for purchasing the Ventris Dual Reverb. This powerful stereo reverb pedal features over 20 meticulously crafted reverb engines, dual signal processors, full MIDI functionality, stereo inputs and outputs, external expression capabilities, and advanced effects editing and signal routing options via the Neuro Desktop and Mobile App Editors. The pedal features an exceptional collection of rich, spacious tones, including realistic analog reverbs like Spring and Plate, natural replications of large and small acoustic spaces, and an intriguing and highly musical selection of "unnatural" tones including Reverse, Swell and Shimmer.

The Ventris contains two completely independent reverb processors, essentially housing a matching pair of high-powered reverb pedals in a single box. Its dual reverb platform gives the pedal massive processing power as well as some additional features like unlimited Preset Spillover and the ability to combine two reverb effects with either parallel, cascading or independent channel signal routing.

The Quick Start guide will help you with the basics. For more in-depth information about the Ventris Reverb, move on to the following sections starting with Connections. Enjoy!

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# Overview

**Over 20 Diverse Reverb Engines** – Choose from vintage Spring, Plate, and Hall sounds, natural Room sounds, and unnatural Shimmer, Reverse, and Swell reverbs. 12 factory reverb engines are available out of the box with additional engines available via the Neuro Mobile App or Desktop Editor.

**Flexible Stereo Routing** – Ventris is equally at home in a mono or stereo rig. Every reverb effect engine works in True Stereo (stereo in > stereo out), Mono-to-Mono, Mono-to-Stereo, Mono-to-Mono plus dry signal to Output 2, and more. It is also possible to create an external effects loop.

**Dual Reverb Processing** – Features two completely independent reverb processors – essentially providing two high-powered reverb pedals in a single enclosure. Its dual reverb platform gives the pedal massive processing power as well as some highly advanced features like unlimited Preset Spillover and the ability to combine two reverb effects in either series or parallel.

**Preset Spillover** - Two individual signal processors make it possible to change from one preset to another without abruptly cutting off the reverb trail of the original preset. Seamless and unlimited "spillover" is an enormous advantage in live situations and there are no limitations to the duration of the transition. Note: Spillover is unavailable when changing between two dual reverb presets (A+B on the toggle switch).

**Dual Reverb Presets (In Series or Parallel)** - Select the A + B toggle switch position and create dual reverb effects, allowing you to simultaneously engage two different reverb effects with a parallel, cascaded, or left/right signal path.

**Analog Dry Thru** – While engaged the incoming dry signal bypasses the effects processors entirely (for most engines), thereby maintaining a 100% pure dry signal without D/A conversions.

**Universal Bypass** – Select between true bypass, buffered bypass, or soft bypass with reverb trails. The Ventris features high-quality signal relays for true bypass and transparent buffers for analog bypass.

**Compact Design** – The extruded anodized aluminum housing, with its slim profile and small footprint, is built for the rigors of the road.

**Presets** – Save your favorite sounds with the touch of a button. Save up to 8 presets recallable with the pedal's onboard controls, plus a total of 128 presets recallable with an external MIDI controller.

**Deep Control Set** – Beyond the six control knobs on the face of the Ventris are many additional, editable parameters. The Neuro Mobile App and Neuro Desktop Editor provide access to a vast collection of additional parameters for advanced users who want to create highly customized reverb effects.

**Neuro Mobile App** – The Neuro App is a free download for iOS and Android mobile devices. The App offers a powerful extension to the basic pedal functionality with a full set of deep editing parameters and additional reverb engines. Edit your presets and upload them directly to your pedal, save them in your private library of presets, or share them with the entire Neuro Community.



**The Neuro Desktop Editor** - Connect your Ventris Reverb to the USB port on your Mac or Windows PC to create and save advanced presets with the Neuro Desktop's sleek editing interface. The Neuro software is a free download for Mac or Windows based PCs. Two-way communication between the pedal and your computer also allows the Desktop Editor to see the parameter settings of every preset stored in your Ventris.

Interchangeable Effect Selector Engines – By default the Effect Selector knob features twelve onboard reverb engines, but our Neuro Mobile App and Desktop Editor provide a far deeper set of reverb engines and adjustable parameters for creating highly customized reverb effects. From the Neuro Editor, it is easy to "burn" customized reverb engines directly to any position on the Effect Selector knob.

**Neuro Hub** – The Source Audio Neuro Hub connects up to five compatible Source Audio pedals and stores the settings of multi-pedal "Scenes." Up to 128 Scenes can be saved and recalled using the Neuro Hub, combining the power of a multi-effects system with the ease and flexibility of a traditional pedal board.

**External Loop** – Configure external loop mode to insert external effects within the Ventris's signal chain.

**Full MIDI Implementation** – The Ventris's parameters can be accessed and controlled using MIDI messages via either its 5-pin DIN Input, a Neuro Hub connection, or USB. Use MIDI messages to engage/disengage the pedal, change presets, move parameters with a MIDI expression controller, and more. Class compliant USB-MIDI allows the Ventris to work as a plug-and-play device with recording software running on Mac and Windows. The Ventris can also sync modulation rates or Pre Delay times to your DAW or other MIDI devices using MIDI clock.

**Assignable Footswitch** – Use the Ventris' second footswitch to control a variety of functions including Tap Tempo, Reverb Hold, and Preset Scrolling.

**External Control** – Easily configured the Ventris to work with a variety of expression pedals and footswitches for various external control options.



# **Quick Start**

#### Power

To power the unit, connect the included 9V DC power supply to the jack labeled **DC 9V** on the back panel.

<u>Warning:</u> Using a non-Source Audio supply, especially an unregulated supply, could damage the unit. A power supply with insufficient current levels may also cause noise or other unpredictable behavior. Please be very cautious when using 3<sup>rd</sup>-party power supplies and refer to the power supply requirements printed on the bottom of the Ventris housing.

# Guitar/Audio Connections

Using standard ¼" mono cables, connect your guitar, bass, or other instrument to the INPUT 1 jack and your amp (or the next audio device in the signal chain) to the OUTPUT 1 jack. If you have a second amp, connect it to OUTPUT 2.

When the power and audio connections have been made, the Ventris is ready for use.



# Brief Knob, Footswitch, and Button Descriptions

**TIME:** Controls the duration of the reverb. Turn the TIME knob counter-clockwise to shorten the circulation time of the reverb and clockwise to lengthen it. Setting the TIME knob fully clockwise will cause the reverb to circulate indefinitely.

**PRE-DELAY:** Adjusts the amount of time between the dry signal and the beginning of the reverb. Turn the PRE-DELAY knob clockwise to create echo reflections similar to slapback or delay effects.



**MIX:** Controls the relative level between the dry input signal and the wet. When set at 3 o'clock, the wet and dry signals will be at equal volume. Fully counter-clockwise is 100% dry, and fully clockwise is 100% wet.

**TREBLE:** Controls the cut-off point of a low pass filter on the wet signal. Turn the knob clockwise for brighter reverb trails and counter-clockwise for darker trails.

**CONTROL 1 & CONTROL 2:** The functions of these knobs vary depending on the selected reverb engine. Check the <u>Reverb Engines</u> section of this manual for the parameter descriptions of each CONTROL knob's function.

**ENGINE SELECTOR KNOB:** Selects between the 12 main effect engines. To access the additional reverb engines, use the Neuro Mobile App or Desktop Editor.

**ON/OFF FOOTSWITCH:** Engages or bypasses the reverb effect. The corresponding ON/OFF LED will be lit when the reverb effect is engaged. In addition (while the pedal is engaged), pressing and holding the ON/OFF Footswitch scrolls to the next Preset.

**OPTION FOOTSWITCH (FOOTSWITCH #2):** This dual action footswitch comes preloaded with two independent control functions that vary depending on the selected engine. The footswitch responds to two actions: quickly tapping, or press & hold. Each of the two actions prompts a different function. See the <u>Reverb Engines</u> section for descriptions of each default control function. Option Footswitch commands include tap tempo for the Pre-Delay or modulation, Hold, Build, A/B reverb toggling, and more. It is also possible to program alternative control options with the Neuro App or Desktop Editor.

**A/B REVERB SELECTOR TOGGLE SWITCH:** Selects between reverbs A, B, or A+B. Save two independent reverb effects (one for each processor) in each of the Ventris's 128 presets and use the A/B Toggle Switch to select which is active. Selecting A + B will engage both reverbs simultaneously. Note: the initial engagement position of this switch can be saved as part of a preset. Go to the Editing and Saving Dual Engine Presets section for complete instructions on dual reverb presets.

**PRESET SELECT/SAVE BUTTON:** Scrolls through the four user presets (or eight in Preset Extension Mode) saved in the Ventris. To save a preset into the currently selected spot, press and hold this button.

**AUTOMATIC STEREO DETECTION:** The Ventris monitors its Input and Output connections and configures itself to the appropriate stereo routing mode. It is also possible to override this and choose a custom routing mode using the Neuro Editors.



# Connections

#### Input Side Connections



#### Input 1

INPUT 1 is the primary input for guitar, bass, or other instruments. It can also accept line-level inputs and will work in your amp's effect loop. Connect it to your instrument or other audio source using a mono (TS) 1/4" cable. Details about the allowed signal levels are available in the <a href="Specifications">Specifications</a> section.

#### Input 2

INPUT 2 is the secondary audio input for stereo sources, external effects loop input, or as the data connection to your mobile device when using the Neuro App.

- Input 2 as an Audio Input: The tip contact on INPUT 2 acts as a secondary input for guitar, bass, or other instruments. Connect your instrument (or the previous effect in the signal chain) using a mono (TS) ¼" cable. The Ventris will automatically configure itself for stereo audio input. Other routing options are available using the Neuro App. For more information about stereo routing, refer to the Stereo Operation section.
- Input 2 as an External Loop Return: If the Ventris routing mode includes an external loop, OUTPUT 2 is the loop send and INPUT 2 is the loop return. Connect INPUT 2 to the output of the external effects loop using a mono (TS) 1/4" cable.
- Input 2 as a Neuro App Data Input: The ring contact on INPUT 2 acts as a data connection for the Neuro Mobile App. The Neuro App sends data to the pedal using your mobile device's headphone jack. Connect it to your mobile device using the included stereo (TRS) 1/8" to 1/4" cable. It can also accept daisy-chained Neuro data from another Neuro-compatible pedal in the chain, provided that a TRS cable is used. The audio signal (if applicable) will be on the tip contact



of the plug, and the Neuro App data will be on the ring contact. This allows audio and Neuro data to flow on the same cable.

#### MIDI Input

This is a standard 5-pin DIN connector that accepts MIDI control messages from external devices, including program changes, continuous controllers (CCs), and MIDI clock. Note, the Ventris MIDI Implementation document has not yet been published. Please email <a href="mailto:contact@sourceaudio.net">contact@sourceaudio.net</a> regarding any questions about the Ventris Dual Reverb's MIDI implementation.

#### **Output Side Connections**



#### Output 1

This is the primary audio output. Connect it to your amplifier, recording interface, or the next device in your effects signal chain using a mono (TS) ½" cable.

#### Output 2

OUTPUT 2 can act either as an audio output, external loop output, or as the daisy-chain data connection for the Neuro App.

- Output 2 as an Audio Output: The tip contact on OUTPUT 2 acts as the secondary audio output. It carries an audio signal when the Ventris is configured with a signal routing that uses stereo outputs. Connect it to your amplifier, recording interface, or the next device in your effects signal chain using a mono (TS) ½" cable.
- Output 2 as an External Loop Send: If the Ventris is configured in a routing mode that includes an external loop, OUTPUT 2 is the loop send and INPUT 2 is the loop return. Connect OUTPUT 2 to the input of the external effects loop using a mono (TS) 1/4" cable.
- Output 2 as a Neuro App Data Daisy-Chain Output: The ring contact on OUTPUT 2 acts as a data connection for the Neuro App, passing data from the Ventris to the next Source Audio effect in your signal chain. You can daisy-chain the Neuro App data regardless of whether OUTPUT 2 is configured to output audio or not. Connect OUTPUT 2 to the next device's Neuro App Data input (usually INPUT 2) using a stereo (TRS) 1/4" cable. The audio signal (if applicable) will be on the tip



contact of the plug, and the Neuro App data will be on the ring contact. This allows audio and Neuro data to flow on the same cable.

#### MIDI Thru

This is a standard 5-pin DIN connector that echoes MIDI messages from the MIDI INPUT jack and sends them to other devices. The Ventris does not generate any of its own MIDI data, but it will copy and output any data it receives.

#### **Power and Control Connections**



#### DC 9V (Power)

Connect to the included 9 Volt DC power supply. If you would like to use a 3rd-party supply, the power supply must be **regulated** at 9 Volts DC (direct current), able to source at least 280 mA (milliamps) of current, and the plug should have a tip-negative, barrel-positive polarity.

#### **USB**

Connect to your computer (Mac or Windows) to the Ventris's USB port (denoted by the icon) using a standard mini USB cable. The Ventris is a class compliant USB device, meaning that it does not require any custom drivers. For more information about the Ventris's USB capabilities, refer to the <a href="USB Section">USB Section</a> of the User's Guide.

#### Control Input

The 3.5 mm Control Input port connects to external control devices such as the Source Audio Tap Tempo Switch, Source Audio Dual Expression Pedal, Reflex Universal Expression Pedal, Neuro Hub, and Hot Hand Motion Controller. For more information, refer to the <a href="Expression Pedal Input">Expression Pedal Input</a>, Hot Hand Input, and Neuro Hub sections of the User's Guide.

#### Expression/Switch Pedal Input

The PEDAL IN jack on the back panel connects to either an external passive expression pedal or



footswitch. The PEDAL IN SWITCH allows the user to select which type of external controller is being used. Set to EXP for expression control or SWITCH for footswitch control. See the <u>External Control</u> section for details.

# **Reverb Engines**

The Ventris includes twelve onboard reverb effect engines, with additional engines available via the Neuro Mobile App or the Neuro Desktop Editor. Because of the wide tonal possibilities of each reverb engine in the Ventris Dual Reverb, it was necessary to arm the pedal with two variable knobs labeled CONTROL 1 and CONTROL 2. When a new reverb engine is selected, two engine specific parameters are automatically assigned to the CONTROL knobs.

The OPTION Footswitch also performs different functions depending on the selected engine. The footswitch responds to two types contact: quickly tapping the switch, or pressing and holding the switch. Each of the two contact types prompts a different function.

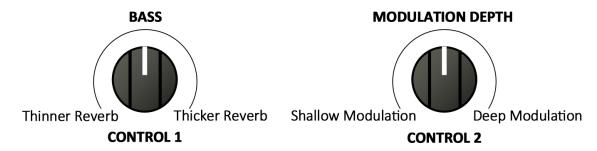
Below are descriptions of each reverb engine and how the CONTROL knobs and OPTION footswitch are configured respectively. Please note that it is possible to reassign different parameters to the CONTROL knobs and functions to the OPTION footswitch. Go to the Neuro Sound Editor for a complete listing of alternate functions for the CONTROL knobs and OPTION footswitch.

#### ROOM (0)

The ROOM engines capture the ambient reverberations of a real acoustic space. In contrast with the E-DOME engine (which offers a massive, arena-sized reverb) the ROOM engine can summon a variety of room sizes from a warm and intimate household room to a larger theatre sized space. Use the TIME, PRE-DELAY, and MIX knobs to alter the size and feel of your room.

**CONTROL 1:** Bass – Adjusts the level of the low-end frequencies on the wet signal. Turn the knob counter clockwise for a lighter reverb or clockwise for thicker, more bass-heavy sound.

**CONTROL 2:** *Mod Depth* – Adds a pitch modulation to the wet signal. Turn the knob fully counter-clockwise for zero modulation and clockwise to gradually increase the pitch depth. Note: The rate of the modulation can be adjusted with the RATE control in the Neuro Editor, or by tapping the OPTION footswitch when it is assigned to Modulation Rate.





**OPTION FOOTSWITCH (TAPPING):** *Modulation Rate* — Works like a traditional tap tempo switch applied to the wet signal's pitch modulation rate, meaning that tapping the OPTION footswitch in time with the band syncs the pedal's pitch modulation rate to the music. Note: you must tap the switch a minimum of two times for the Ventris to change its modulation rate.

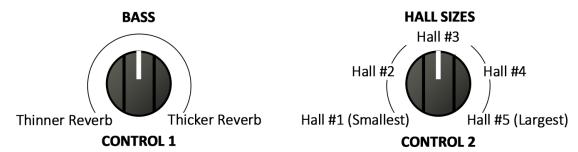
**OPTION FOOTSWITCH (PRESS & HOLD):** Reverb Hold — Sustains the reverb trail until the OPTION footswitch is released. This is a great way to sustain a chord and create a "pad," as it is called in certain circles. While engaging the HOLD function, it is still possible to play on top of the sustained reverb trail with the reverb from the second processor (A or B) applied to the dry signal. Check the Neuro Sound Editor section for alternative HOLD configurations.

#### HALL (1)

Patterned after the lush sounds of studio rack units from the 80s, the Hall L engine is distinguished by its highly diffuse tones and glorious blooming characteristic. The Source Audio engineering time invested massive research time in perfectly capturing the complex sounds of these powerful effects units. It should be noted that though we place this grand effect engine among the classic reverbs, it has little resemblance to reverberations found in the natural or analog world, rather the Hall L replicates the extravagant wash of sound popular during the first wave of ambient music recordings.

**CONTROL 1:** *Bass* – See the description in the ROOM engine section.

**CONTROL 2:** Hall Size — Select between 5 different hall sizes. Turn the knob counter-clockwise for smaller, tighter hall sounds and clockwise to grander reverberations. Please note that this knob does not gradually increase the size of the hall, rather the knob is split into five regions. As you turn the knob you may hear the transition points where a new hall size is engaged.



**OPTION FOOTSWITCH (TAPPING):** Set Pre-Delay Time — Works like a traditional tap tempo switch on a delay pedal. Pre-Delay Time is the amount of time between the dry signal and the first wave of reverb reflections (sort of like moving the time of an echo). So tapping the OPTION footswitch in time with the band syncs the echo effect to the beat of the music. Note: you must tap the switch a minimum of two times for the pedal to change the Pre-Delay Time.

**OPTION FOOTSWITCH (PRESS & HOLD):** *Reverb Hold* – See the description in the ROOM engine section.



#### E-Dome (2)

The cavernous E-DOME (a.k.a. "Enormo-Dome") produces long, lush reverb trails that linger for days. Invoke the sound of massive, arena settings with the Ventris Reverb's largest room simulation. This one is huuuuge.

**CONTROL 1:** Bass – See the description in the ROOM engine section.

**CONTROL 2:** *Mod Depth* – See the description in the ROOM engine section



**OPTION FOOTSWITCH (TAPPING):** *Modulation Rate* – See the description in the ROOM engine section.

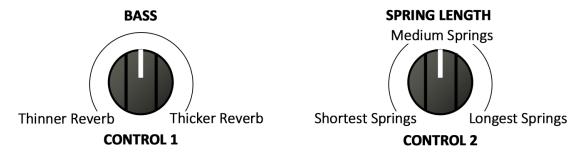
**OPTION FOOTSWITCH (PRESS & HOLD):** *Reverb Hold* – See the description in the ROOM engine section.

#### TRUE SPRING (3)

Source Audio's Chief Scientist, Bob Chidlaw, worked long and hard to perfectly capture the sweet idiosyncrasies of a vintage spring reverb tank. The result is an exceptionally realistic effect with the unmistakable "drip" heard in vintage spring reverb equipped amplifiers.

**CONTROL 1:** *Bass* – Find the description in the ROOM engine section.

**CONTROL 2:** *Spring Length* – selects between three different virtual spring lengths. The longer the springs in a reverb tank the more distinguishable the "echo" effect becomes as the incoming signal travels back and forth across the length of the springs. Please note that this knob does not gradually increase the size of the springs, rather the knob is split into three regions. As you turn the knob you may hear the transition points when a new spring length is engaged.



**OPTION FOOTSWITCH (TAPPING):** *Set Pre-Delay Time* – See the description in the HALL L engine section.



**OPTION FOOTSWITCH (PRESS & HOLD):** *Reverb Hold* – See the description in the ROOM engine section.

#### PLATE (4)

This authentic sounding reverb engine is a spot-on simulation of the highly diffuse effect synonymous with vintage plate reverb units of the 50s and 60s. Like the True Spring engine, Bob Chidlaw was relentless in crafting the perfect emulation of this beautiful and distinct sound. The critical component of a plate reverb is a large plate of suspended sheet metal. Blasting audio into the face of the sheet metal creates the beautifully lush and resonant tones found in countless classic recordings.

**CONTROL 1:** *Bass* – Find the description in the ROOM engine section.

**CONTROL 2:** *Plate Size* — Selects between three different plate sized: Small, Medium and Large. In general, as the plate size gets larger the reverberations will sustain longer and develop varying characteristics in the decay. Please note that this knob does not gradually increase the size of the plate, rather the knob is split into three regions. As you turn the knob you may hear the transition points when a new plate size is engaged.



**OPTION FOOTSWITCH (TAPPING):** *Set Pre-Delay Time* – See the description in the HALL L engine section.

**OPTION FOOTSWITCH (PRESS & HOLD):** *Reverb Hold* – See the description in the ROOM engine section.

#### Lo-F<sub>1</sub> (5)

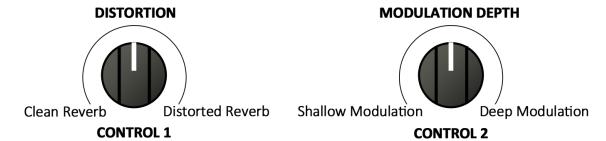
This reverb effect turns the lush and grandiose effect of reverb on its head and embraces destructive elements like distortion and oversaturation. Turn up the ugly and create unique effects that add a layer of nastiness to your sound.

**CONTROL 1:** Distortion – Adjusts the amount of grit on the wet signal. Turn this knob clockwise to increase the amount of overdrive/fuzz added to the reverb tone. At the far right positions this knob begins to summon the qualities of a fuzz pedal.

**CONTROL 2:** Mod Noise Depth – Adjust the amount of sporadic modulation applied to the wet signal. Unlike the smooth and even Modulation found on many of the Ventris's reverb engines,



the Mod Noise Depth knob adds an irregular, non-symmetric pitch modulation. This style of modulation resembles the sound of a vintage tape delay that is possibly in need of repair.



**OPTION FOOTSWITCH (TAPPING):** *Modulation Rate* – See the description in the ROOM engine section.

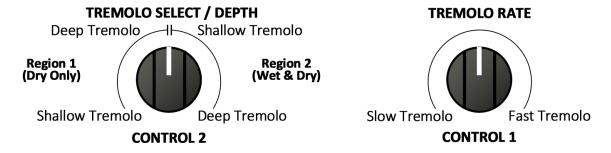
**OPTION FOOTSWITCH (PRESS & HOLD):** Oscillate – Unlike the normal Hold function that creates a constant reverb loop that doesn't change in volume or tone, the Oscillate function continuously routes the reverb signal back through the processor creating a sound that builds in intensity for a dramatic self-oscillation effect.

#### ModVerb (6)

This marvelously animated reverb engine perfectly captures the sound of tremolo and spring reverb hardware found in many vintage guitar amplifiers. But unlike those vintage amps, the Modverb engine can change the order of the signal path. Use the CONTROL 1 knob to choose between inserting the tremolo circuit before or after the spring reverb tank. It is also possible with the Neuro Editor to apply a tremolo effect to only the wet signal and leave your dry signal unaffected.

**CONTROL 1:** 10 *Tremolo Select/Depth* — Adjusts the depth of the tremolo effect and selects between two available reverb/tremolo signal paths. The knob is split into two regions. To the left of 12 o'clock, turning the knob clockwise increases the depth of a tremolo circuit placed prior to the reverb tank in the signal chain. To the right of 12 o'clock, turning the knob clockwise increases the depth of a tremolo circuit placed after the reverb tank in the signal chain, essentially applying a tremolo effect to the entire output signal. Please note that as you turn the knob you may hear the transition point when the knob passes the 12 o'clock position and changes regions.

**CONTROL 2:** *Tremolo Rate* – Adjusts the speed (or rate) of the tremolo effect. Turn the knob clockwise to increase the rate of the tremolo.





**OPTION FOOTSWITCH (TAPPING):** *Tremolo Rate* – Functions like a traditional tap tempo switch to set the speed of the tremolo effect. Tapping the OPTION footswitch in time with the band will sync the tremolo to the music. Note: you must tap the switch a minimum of two times for the pedal to change the tremolo rate.

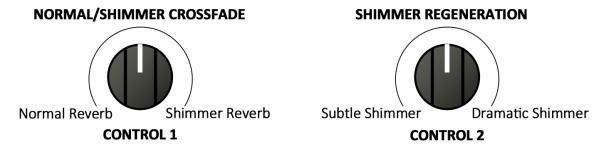
**OPTION FOOTSWITCH (PRESS & HOLD):** *Reverb Hold* – See the description in the ROOM engine section.

## SHIMMER (7)

This pitch shifting reverb engine mixes traditional room sounds with octave-up reflections for an angelic reverb effect. Connect the Shimmer engine to the Neuro Desktop Editor and swap the octave-up for variety of additional pitch intervals.

**CONTROL 1:** Normal/Shimmer Crossfade – Controls the mix ratio between the normal reverb effect and the pitch shifting reverb reflections. Turn the knob clockwise to gradually increase the pitch shifting reverb and decrease the normal reverb in the wet mix.

**CONTROL 2:** Shimmer Regeneration – Increases the amount of Shimmer signal that is fed back into the reverb processor. To the listener, the Shimmer effect becomes more pronounced as this knob is turned clockwise.



**OPTION FOOTSWITCH (TAPPING):** *Modulation Rate* – See the description in the ROOM engine section.

**OPTION FOOTSWITCH (PRESS & HOLD):** *Pitch Ramp Down* – Functions similar to the HOLD function except that as you press and hold the footswitch the Shimmer effect will slowly slip downward in pitch. It can be quite a haunting effect. Note: with the Neuro Editor it is also possible to send this pitch shift in an upward direction. **Expert Tip**: Try creating an A+B dual Shimmer preset with the OPTION footswitch on Reverb A set to a Pitch Ramp Down and Reverb B set to Pitch Ramp Up. Holding the OPTION footswitch yields a very interesting up/down pitch event. See the <u>Neuro Sound Editor</u> for instructions on reassigning the function of the OPTION Footswitch.

#### ECHOVERB (8)

This ambient combination of delay and reverb provides a sprawling echo effect with huge, reverberating repeats. The Echoverb engine can also act as a classic delay pedal by turning the



Delay/Reverb Crossfade knob to the full counter-clockwise position, thereby isolating the delay effect. The Echoverb engine has a maximum delay time of 2 seconds.

**CONTROL 1:** *Delay Feedback* – Controls the amount of delay signal that is fed back into the delay effect, thereby increasing the number of repeats. At the full counter-clockwise position the effect will generate a single delay repeat - as the knob is turned clockwise the repeats increase.

**CONTROL 2:** *Delay/Reverb Crossfade* — Adjusts the mix ratio between the delay and reverb signals. Set this knob to the full counter-clockwise position to hear only the delay effect. Turn the knob clockwise to gradually increase the reverb signal and decrease the delay signal in the wet mix. It is important to note that even when the CONTROL 2 is turned fully clockwise and only the reverb is audible, the reverb is still responding to the inaudible delay signal, which comes before it in the signal chain.

# DELAY FEEDBACK DELAY/REVERB CROSSFADE 100% Delay 100% Reverb CONTROL 1 CONTROL 2

**OPTION FOOTSWITCH (TAPPING):** *Delay Time* – Functions similar to a traditional tap tempo switch on a delay pedal - tapping the OPTION footswitch in time with the band will sync the repeats to the beat of the music. Note: you must tap the switch a minimum of two times before the pedal changes the Delay Time.

**OPTION FOOTSWITCH (PRESS & HOLD):** *Delay Hold* – Creates a constant loop of the delay signal. While holding down the OPTION Footswitch the delay signal will continuously circulate without any changes in volume or tone.

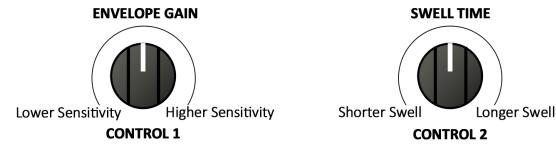
#### SWELL (9)

Creates smooth, amorphous volume swells. This engine applies a volume swell effect to your instrument's dry signal, which is then fed into the reverb effect for super-long and ambient clouds of sound. This effect is great for creating soft, atmospheric chord pads. The Swell engine also sounds fantastic when it is placed first in a dual reverb preset set to Series Mode (A+B on the A/B Reverb Toggle Switch).

**CONTROL 1:** Envelope Gain – Controls the sensitivity of the envelope follower. Turn this knob down if you have low impedance pickups or you want to dig in with some hard picking, turn it up for high impedance pickups or soft picking.

**CONTROL 2:** Swell Time – Adjust the speed of the volume swell. Turn the control counterclockwise for quicker swells and clockwise for a longer, smooth effect.





**OPTION FOOTSWITCH (TAPPING):** *Modulation Rate* – See the description in the ROOM engine section.

**OPTION FOOTSWITCH (PRESS & HOLD):** *Reverb Hold* – See the description in the ROOM engine section.

#### OFFSPRING (10)

Nothing else sounds like the Offspring reverb. This unique and dramatic effect falls somewhere between the sound of an angel's harp and a retro-futuristic sci-fi soundtrack. In truth the Offspring engine uses all-pass filters to extract cascading frequency bands, creating an effect similar to an arpeggiator. It appears complicated, but it is really quite musical and sounds very nice with a variety of different playing styles.

**CONTROL 1:** *Bass* – Find the description in the ROOM engine section.

**CONTROL 2:** *Modulation Depth* – See the description in the ROOM engine section.



**OPTION FOOTSWITCH (TAPPING):** Repeat Time – Functions like a traditional tap tempo switch applied to the Offspring's unique style of repeats.

**OPTION FOOTSWITCH (PRESS & HOLD):** *Reverb Hold* – See the description in the ROOM engine section.

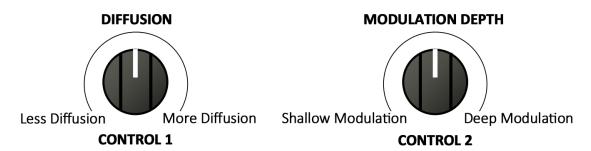
#### REVERSE (11)

Create chilling and dramatic backwards effects with this haunting reverb engine. Set the MIX knob to 100% wet for a menacing sound surge or mix it with the dry signal for an unnerving shadow effect.

**CONTROL 1:** Diffusion – Use this knob to smooth (or "smear") the surging reverse effect. Turning the knob fully clockwise produces a smooth reverse effect, while turning the knob in the counter-clockwise direction creates an interesting granular effect with distinct attack transients.



**CONTROL 2:** Mod Depth – Find the description in the ROOM engine section.



**OPTION FOOTSWITCH (TAPPING):** *Rise Time & Modulation Rate* – Functions like a traditional tap tempo switch applied to the length of time it takes for the reverse effect to reach its point of attack and the rate of the pitch modulation.

**OPTION FOOTSWITCH (PRESS & HOLD):** *Reverb Hold* – See the description in the ROOM engine section.

# **Extended Reverb Engines**

On top of the 12 reverb engines available on the front panel, the Neuro Mobile App and Desktop Editor includes a dynamic collection of additional reverb engines. These additional engines offer a variety of tonal options and can be used to overwrite the default effect engines on the effect dial or stored as user presets. Go to the Neuro Sound Editor section for details on additional reverb engines.



# Controls

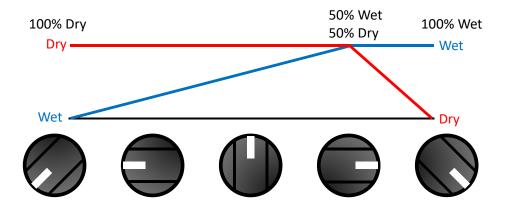


#### Time Knob

Sets the sustain time of the reverb trail. Turning the TIME knob to the fully clockwise position causes the reverb trail to sustain infinitely. However, unlike the HOLD function (which creates a steady reverb loop), setting the TIME knob set to infinite sustain will create a degenerating effect over time as the reverb continues to circulate and receive additional dry signal. The results can be a bit cacophonous, but it will create a very interesting effect.

#### Mix Knob

Sets the relative levels of dry signal and wet reverb signal. Fully counter-clockwise is 100% dry, fully clockwise is 100% wet. Roughly 3 o'clock on the MIX knob is where a 50/50 split between wet and dry occurs. Please note that Kill Dry Mode is also available as a global option (see <u>Kill Dry / Dry Defeat</u>).

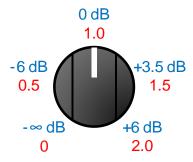




Please note that when the A/B Reverb Toggle Switch is set to the A+B position, the function of MIX and CONTROL 1 & 2 change. In A+B mode the CONTROL 1 knob adjusts the wet level of reverb A, CONTROL 2 adjusts the wet level of reverb B, and the MIX knobs adjusts the level of the dry signal.

#### Using the Mix Knob to Set Master Output Level

The overall output volume level is adjustable on the pedal hardware without needing to use Neuro Editing Software or MIDI. Press and hold the CONTROL INPUT button and then turn the MIX knob to set the master output level, which affects both the wet signal and the dry signal. A maximum of +6 dB of boost is possible. The following figure shows the range of output gains, in decibels (blue) and linear (red). Note that when the output level is adjusted, it will be maintained while changing effect engines using the effect dial. Loading a user preset will override the level set by the MIX knob.



#### Pre-Delay Knob

Sets the amount of time between the dry signal and the initial reverb reflections. As the PRE-DELAY knob is turned clockwise the pre-delay time increases creating a sound similar to a natural echo or "slapback" effect.

#### Treble Knob

Controls the amount of high frequency damping applied to the wet signal. Turn the knob clockwise for a brighter reverb trail and counter-clockwise for a darker reverb.

#### Control 1 and Control 2

Because of the wide tonal possibilities of each reverb engine in the Ventris Dual Reverb, it was necessary to arm the pedal with two "wildcard" knobs labeled CONTROL 1 and CONTROL 2. The function of the CONTROL knobs varies depending on the active reverb engine. Details on the function of each knob are available in the <u>Reverb Engines section</u> of this manual. It is also possible to assign alternate parameters to the CONTROL 1 & 2 knobs. CONTROL knob reassignments can be saved to individual presets or to any of the engines on the EFFECT SELECTOR knob. Go to the <u>Neuro Sound Editor</u> section for instructions and a list of alternate CONTROL knob parameters.

Please note that when the A/B Reverb Toggle Switch is set to the A+B position, both Reverbs A and B are running simultaneously and the function of the MIX and CONTROL 1 & 2 knobs change. When running the reverbs in Parallel, CONTROL 1 sets the wet level of Reverb A, CONTROL 2 sets the wet level of Reverb B, and MIX sets the level of the dry signal. When running the reverbs in Series, CONTROL 1 sets the wet/dry mix of Reverb A, CONTROL 2 sets the wet/dry mix of Reverb B, and MIX sets the level of the dry signal. See the <a href="Editing and Saving Dual Engine Presets">Editing and Saving Dual Engine Presets</a> section for complete instructions on dual reverb presets.



#### Effect Engine Selector Encoder

This is the reverb engine selector. It determines the overall engine and sets the function of the CONTROL knobs and OPTION footswitch.

#### Effect Engine Selector LEDs

The REVERB ENGINE LEDs that encircle the ENGINE SELECTOR indicate which engine is currently active. This works for the first 12 effect engines. If a user has activated one of the extended engines then none of these REVERB ENGINE LEDs will be lit. If the Reverb Selector toggle switch is set to A+B, both of the selected engine LEDs will illuminate. If reverbs A and B are both programmed with the same reverb engine and the Reverb Selector is set to A + B, the appropriate single LED will illuminate with a double blinking pattern.

It is possible, using the Neuro App, to replace one of the default engines on the engine selector wheel with another engine. If the user has done this, the corresponding LED will blink to show that the engine does not match the name written in ink on the face of the Ventris. This is also true in A + B mode.

#### A/B Reverb Toggle Switch

The Ventris Dual Reverb features two completely independent 56-bit signal processors. The two processors give the Ventris the ability to simultaneously save two reverb sounds in each of the pedal's 8 onboard or 128 MIDI accessible presets. The A/B Reverb Toggle Switch provides easy access to each of the individual Reverbs (A or B) as well as a combination of the two (A+B).

Selecting positions A or B enables the reverb effect that was programmed to the corresponding toggle position. Selecting position A+B enables both reverbs simultaneously. By default the A+B toggle position will run the reverbs in parallel and mix them together (in stereo) to the Outputs. It is also possible to run the reverbs in Series Mode, one into the other. To run the reverb engines in series first flip the toggle switch to either the A or B position, hold down the CONTROL INPUT button (at the top of the pedal), and switch the toggle back to the A + B position – now Reverb A will cascade into Reverb B. Repeat the process to switch back to Parallel mode.

When the A+B toggle position has been selected certain knob functions are altered. When running the reverbs in Parallel Mode, CONTROL 1 sets the wet level of Reverb A, CONTROL 2 sets the wet level of Reverb B, and MIX sets the level of the dry signal. When running the reverbs in Series Mode, CONTROL 1 sets the wet/dry mix of Reverb A, CONTROL 2 sets the wet/dry mix of Reverb B, and MIX sets the level of the dry signal. See the <a href="Editing and Saving Dual Engine Presets">Editing and Saving Dual Engine Presets</a> section for complete instructions on dual reverb presets.

Any of the three toggle switch positions can be individually assigned as the initially engage position for each of the 128 presets. Note: if the A+B toggle position is used during preset switching (in either the former or later preset), the Spillover function is not available.

#### On/Off Footswitch

Enables or bypasses the reverb effect. By default the Ventris uses a True/Hard Bypass Mode, but it is also possible to switch to a Buffered Bypass (see the <u>Universal Bypass</u> section for more information) or Trails Mode Bypass (see the Trails Mode section).



The ON/OFF Footswitch also serves a second function. When the effect is engaged, pressing and holding the ON/OFF footswitch will scroll upward through the user presets. Releasing the switch will stop the scrolling and engage the preset saved to the illuminated PRESET SELECT LED.

#### Trails Mode

By default the Ventris is set to Hard Bypass Mode, which means that the reverb trails will stop immediately upon bypassing the pedal. Trails Mode (also known as "Soft Bypass") is an optional bypass mode that allows the reverb trails to fade out naturally after the effect has been bypassed.

Trails mode can be enabled from the Hardware Options menu of the <u>Neuro Mobile App or Desktop</u> <u>Editor</u>. It is also possible to put the pedal into Trails mode by pressing the On/OFF FOOTSWITCH while holding the CONTROL INPUT BUTTON. This will toggle between enabling and disabling trails mode and the setting will be saved automatically. Trails Mode is a **global** setting and is NOT saved per preset.

#### On/Off LED

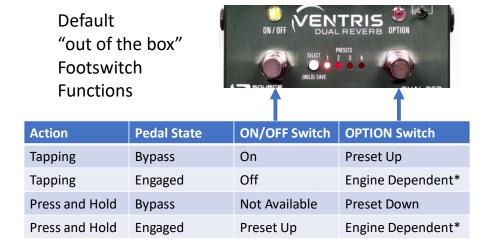
The ON/OFF LED above the On/OFF FOOTSWITCH indicates if the reverb effect is active (lit green) or bypassed (not lit).

If trails mode is active, the ON/OFF LED will be lit green when the reverb effect is active and lit red when the reverb effect is bypassed.

#### Option Footswitch

Because of the range of functions that can be controlled with the OPTION Footswitch, we felt it necessary to assign different default functions to this footswitch depending on the selected engine. The switch responds to two actions: **quickly tapping** or **press and hold**. Each of the two actions will prompt a different function. In addition to the default functions, it is also possible to reassign alternate functions to the footswitch via the Neuro Editors. See the <a href="Neuro Sound Editor">Neuro Sound Editor</a> section for a list of control choices.

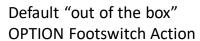
Also, when the Ventris is bypassed the OPTION footswitch doubles as preset scroller. In Bypass Mode, tapping the OPTION footswitch scrolls upward through the user presets and pressing and holding the switch scrolls downward through the presets. The matrix below provides a quick overview of the basic functions of each footswitch in the engaged and bypassed states.





#### **OPTION Footswitch Functions**

The default control assignments of OPTION footswitch are set to provide an intuitive and effective experience without making any modifications. The graphic below provides a brief overview of the default ("out-of-box") control assignment per reverb engine.





Reverb Engine	Tapping	Press and Hold
ROOM	Mod. Rate	Reverb Hold
HALL L	Set Pre-Delay Time	Reverb Hold
E-DOME	Mod. Rate Reverb Hold	
TRUE SPRING	Set Pre-Delay Time Reverb Hold	
PLATE	Set Pre-Delay Time Reverb Hold	
LO-FI	Mod. Rate Oscillate	
MODVERB	Tremolo Rate Reverb Hold	
SHIMMER	Mod. Rate Pitch Ramp Down	
ECHOVERB	Delay Tap Tempo Delay Hold	
SWELL	Mod. Rate Reverb Hold	
OFFSPRING	Repeat Time Reverb Hold	
REVERSE	Rise Time + Mod. Rate	Reverb Hold

## Option LED

The OPTION LED (located above the OPTION Footswitch) indicates the Pre-Delay time or LFO rate when using the OPTION Footswitch as a Tap Tempo control. When the OPTION footswitch controls Tap Tempo of Pre-Delay, the LED will blink in time. When Tap Tempo controls the rate of modulation effects, the LED will employ a smooth pulsing illumination. The LED also illuminates solidly when the HOLD or BUILD functions are engaged.

#### Control Input Button

This small button located at the top of the pedal is used when configuring external control. See the <a href="External Control"><u>External Control</u></a> section for more details.



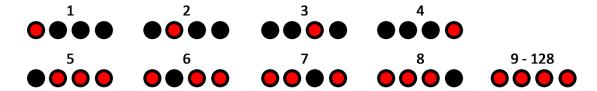
#### External Control LED

The small LED located to the left of the MIX KNOB is the CONTROL/ACTIVITY LED. When lit, it indicates that external control mode (expression or MIDI) is active or that incoming data is being received via MIDI or a Neuro connection. For more information, see the <a href="External Control">External Control</a> section.

#### Preset Select/(Hold) Save Button and LEDs

Press the SELECT button to scroll through and select saved user presets. The four PRESET LEDs next to the PRESET BUTTON indicate which preset is active for presets 1 through 4. If a preset has been modified, the corresponding PRESET LED will blink slowly. To save a preset, press and hold this button – the associated preset LED will blink for a few seconds. When the LED stops blinking, the updated preset will be saved to the current preset position.

<u>Preset Extension Mode</u>: Allows for easy access to an additional 4 presets for a total of 8 onboard presets. To enable Preset Extension Mode, go to the Hardware Options sections of the Neuro Mobile or Desktop Editor (<u>see Neuro Hardware Options</u>) and select the appropriate option. The illumination patterns of the Preset Select LEDs indicate which Preset has been selected (see the figure below).



Note: when using a MIDI controller to select a preset outside of the normal bank (presets 1 to 4) or extended bank (presets 5 to 8), then all 4 PRESET LEDS will be lit, indicating that a preset in the range between 9 and 128 is active. For details on preset editing and saving, see the next section.

# Preset Storage and Recall

User Presets store all user editable parameters. This includes the knob positions, current effect engines, routing options, external control, and the full list of Neuro/MIDI accessible parameters. Included in every preset are settings for each position on the A/B Reverb Toggle Switch (Reverb A, Reverb B, and Reverbs A+B (Dual Mode). It is also possible to specify which A/B Reverb Toggle Switch position initially engages: A, B, or A+B. After a preset is recalled, you can always tweak it in a performance situation by turning a knob. The knob parameter will then "jump" to the knob position as the knob is moved.

## **Recalling Presets**

The first 4 User Presets (or 8 in Preset Extension Mode) are accessible via the onboard hardware or with and external footswitch in the following ways:

- 1. Click the SELECT button to cycle through the hardware user presets. This function works whether the pedal is engaged and bypassed.
- 2. When the pedal is engaged, press and hold the ON/OFF Footswitch to scroll upward through user presets
- 3. When the pedal is bypassed, tap the OPTION Footswitch to scroll upward through the user presets, or press and hold the OPTION Footswitch to scroll downward through user presets.



4. Connect an external footswitch to the PEDAL IN jack and select SWITCH mode (located next to the PEDAL IN jack) to scroll upward through presets. Please note that it is possible to reassign the function of external single and dual footswitches in the <a href="Neuro Sound Editor">Neuro Sound Editor</a> — these control assignments are global.

#### Recalling MIDI Presets

All 128 available User Presets are accessible with an external MIDI controller. MIDI controllers can be connected via either the 5-Pin DIN (MIDI IN) jack on the side of the pedal, the USB port at the top of the pedal, or through a Neuro Hub, which connected to the CONTROL INPUT at the top of the pedal. All 128 User Presets can be recalled with the corresponding MIDI program change (PC) messages.

#### Editing and Saving a Single Engine Preset to Reverb A

In most cases it is only necessary to use a single engine when creating a reverb preset. Follow the procedure below to create a traditional single engine Preset to position A on the A/B Reverb Toggle Switch. Within each of the 128 Presets the adjustable settings include reverb engines, knob and Neuro parameters, routing options, and external control options.

- Select the preset you would like to edit by clicking the SELECT/(HOLD) SAVE Button until the
  corresponding PRESET LED is lit. When using MIDI, select the preset with the corresponding MIDI
  program change (PC) message.
- 2. Move the A/B Reverb Toggle Switch to position A and use the knobs or Neuro App/MIDI to set up the sound to your liking. The PRESET LED will begin to blink, indicating that the preset is being edited.
- 3. Press and hold the SELECT/(HOLD) SAVE Button. Continue holding the SELECT/(HOLD) SAVE until the PRESET LED blinks fast, then slow, and eventually turns solid. This indicates that the preset has been saved. To copy a preset from one location to another, see the <a href="Copying a Preset">Copying a Preset</a> section below.

#### Editing and Saving a Dual Engine Preset to Reverb A+B

Within each of the 128 Presets available on the Ventris Dual Reverb it is possible to save an entirely different collection of settings for both the A and B Reverbs. It is also possible to combine two reverbs by selecting the A+B position on the A/B Reverb Toggle Switch.

It should be noted that there are two signal routing modes available when creating dual reverb presets (A+B): Parallel Mode and Cascade (a.k.a. Series) Mode. The differences are as follows:

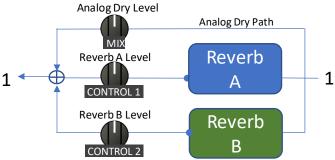
Parallel Mode: By default Reverb A+B runs in Parallel Mode. Parallel Mode routes Reverb A
and Reverb B side-by-side, then combines them for the final mono or stereo output signal. In
A+B/Parallel Mode the functions of the CONTROL 1, CONTROL 2, and MIX knobs change:
CONTROL 1 sets the wet level of Reverb A, CONTROL 2 sets the wet level of Reverb B, and

<sup>\*</sup>Note: To save a preset to the position B on the A/B Reverb Toggle Switch, follow the same process, but select toggle switch position B in step 2.



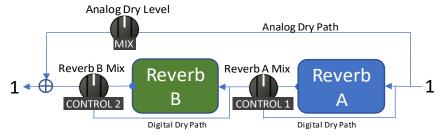
MIX sets the level of the dry signal. The figure below illustrates the Parallel/A+B signal path and altered knob functions.





• Cascade Mode: (a.k.a. "Series Mode"): Cascade Mode is the alternate dual reverb mode. It routes Reverb A and B in series, Reverb A cascading into Reverb B. This Mode functions just as if you were running one reverb pedals into another in a signal chain. To enter Cascade Mode switch the A/B Reverb Toggle Switch to position A, hold down the CONTROL INPUT button then switch the Toggle Switch back to A+B (repeat the process to switch back to Parallel Mode). When combining the reverbs in Cascade Mode, CONTROL 1 sets the wet/dry mix of Reverb A, CONTROL 2 sets the wet/dry mix of Reverb B, and MIX sets the level of the dry signal. The figure below illustrates the Cascade/A+B signal path and altered knob functions.

# Dual Cascade Knob Controls (toggle = A+B)



Follow the instructions below to create dual reverb presets:

- 1. Select the preset you would like to edit by clicking the SELECT/(HOLD) SAVE Button until the corresponding PRESET LED is lit.
- 2. Select Reverb A with the A/B Reverb Toggle Switch and dial in your settings with the front panel controls or Neuro Editor.
- 3. Flip the A/B Reverb Toggle Switch to Reverb B and dial in the settings for Reverb B. Please note that it is possible to use different reverb engines in Reverbs A and B.
- 4. Flip the A/B Reverb Toggle Switch to A+B. By default the A+B reverb is routed in parallel, if you wish to run your Reverbs in series (Note: Reverb A always cascades into Reverb B), flip back to Reverb A, press and hold the CONTROL INPUT button at the top of the pedal, and switch the toggle back to A+B. The A and B Reverbs will now run in series. Repeat this step to switch back to Parallel Moe.



- 5. In A+B Mode the functions of the CONTROL 1, CONTROL 2, and MIX knobs change. When running the reverbs in Parallel, CONTROL 1 sets the wet level of Reverb A, CONTROL 2 sets the wet level of Reverb B, and MIX sets the level of the dry signal. When routing the reverbs in Cascade Mode, CONTROL 1 sets the wet/dry mix of Reverb A, CONTROL 2 sets the wet/dry mix of Reverb B, and MIX sets the level of the dry signal. In A+B Mode, the TIME, PRE-DELAY and TREBLE knobs will override the knob positions selected in steps 2 and 3.
- 6. Select the A/B Reverb Toggle Switch position to which you would like the Preset to initially engage (A, B, or A+B).
- 7. Press and hold the SELECT/(HOLD) SAVE Button. Continue holding the SELECT/(HOLD) SAVE until the PRESET LED blinks fast, then slow, and eventually turns solid. This indicates that the preset has been saved. To copy a preset from one location to another, see the <a href="Copying a Preset">Copying a Preset</a> section below.
- 8. **Note**: It is also possible to route A+B Reverb Presets so that Reverb A routes exclusively to Output 1 and only Reverb B routes exclusively to Output 2 this is called "Independent Stereo Mode" and it is one of the alternate routing options available via the Neuro Editor. Go to the Neuro Sound Editor section for more info on Independent Stereo modes.

**Note:** When recalling presets via MIDI PC messages, you may wish to queue up your preset with effect bypassed. To do this, simply engage the preset, bypass it with the ON/OFF footswitch, then resave the preset normally. When recalled, the pedal will load the saved user settings, but the effect will be bypassed. To engage the preset, simply press the ON/OFF Footswitch on the Ventris.

# Copying a Preset to a New Location Using the Select/(Hold) Save Button

- 1. Select the preset you would like to copy by pressing the SELECT/(HOLD) SAVE Button until the corresponding PRESET LED is lit.
- 2. Press and hold the SELECT/(HOLD) SAVE Button for one second until the corresponding PRESET LED begins blinking rapidly. Quickly release the SELECT/(HOLD) SAVE Button. The PRESET LED should continue to blink rapidly. This indicates that the Ventris is in copy mode.
- 3. Tap the SELECT/(HOLD) SAVE Button to increment the preset. The corresponding PRESET LED should continue to blink rapidly. Tap the SELECT/(HOLD) SAVE Button again until the desired copy destination is selected.
- 4. Press and hold the SELECT/(HOLD) SAVE Button until the PRESET LED blinks slowly and then turns solid. This indicates that the preset has been saved to the new location. The original location will not be changed or overwritten.

## Copying a Preset to a New Location Using an External MIDI Controller

- 1. Select the preset you would like to copy by sending a MIDI program change message to the Ventris.
- 2. Press and hold the SELECT/(HOLD) SAVE Button for one second until the corresponding PRESET LED begins blinking rapidly. Quickly release the SELECT/(HOLD) SAVE Button. The PRESET LED(s) should continue to blink rapidly. This indicates that the Ventris is in copy mode.
- 3. Send a desired MIDI Program Change number to indicate the desired copy destination for the preset.
- 4. PRESET LED will blink fast and then turn solid. This indicates that the preset has been saved to the new location.



#### Copying a Preset to a New Location Using the Neuro App

Using the BURN command in Neuro Mobile or Desktop Editors, it is possible to copy presets to any location in memory.

#### Clearing all Presets

The entire range of 128 User Presets can be erased using the Factory Reset procedure. Warning: the Factory Reset procedure resets the entire pedal back to the state in which it was originally shipped – this includes all global settings, swapped reverb engines in the Effect Selector knob, and User Presets. A Factory Reset will not change any firmware updates.

# **Universal Bypass**

Most effect pedals offer either true bypass or buffered bypass. The Ventris contains two separate circuits for bypass mode, allowing you to choose the method you prefer. The true bypass path uses signal relays, which are electromechanical switches. This provides an ultra-low resistance path from the input jacks to the output jacks, which is effectively the same as a wire. The buffered bypass path uses extremely low noise buffers, which provide a very low output impedance and are effective for driving long cables or long chains of effects following the Ventris's audio output.

Out of the box, the Ventris operates in true bypass mode. In order to switch to buffered bypass mode, edit the Ventris Reverb's **global settings** using the Neuro Desktop or Mobile App.

We recommend you choose between the active analog bypass (a.k.a. buffered bypass) and relay-based true bypass based on what is needed in your signal chain. Ideally, on a larger pedalboard the first pedal in a signal chain is a buffered input followed by true bypass in the rest of the signal chain.

Both bypass methods have pros and cons associated with them. Buffered bypass provides consistent input impedance so that if the source is susceptible to variations in input impedance (similar to a guitar pickup), there won't be a noticeable change in tone. True bypass has the benefit of providing a dedicated hardwired bypass signal path. The Ventris features small-signal relays for true bypass switching that offer reduced pops and clicks compared to the traditional true bypass switching method using a mechanical switch.

When using Trails Mode, a function called "soft bypass" is used in order to maintain the reverb trails after the effect has been bypassed. Trails Mode sends the audio through the DSP at all times so the Ventris must remain in the buffered bypass path. Select the Reverb Trails Mode option in the Hardware Options page of the Neuro Desktop or Mobile App to put the Ventris into Trails Mode.



# Stereo Operation & Signal Routing

The Ventris Dual Reverb creates dramatic mono or stereo effects via its stereo Input and Output jacks. By default, the Ventris auto-detects the cables connected to INPUTS and OUTPUTS 1 & 2 and engages the appropriate Routing Mode. In addition, the Neuro Editors offer a variety of alternate signal routing modes including Independent Stereo Out (a different reverb engine assigned to each of the Outputs), Mono Out/Dry Out (one Output assigned to a reverb engine, the other Output dry), and External Loop Modes (insert an external effect within the pedal's effects loop). Go to the Signal Routing details in the Neuro Sound Editor for a complete list of routing option.

## Auto Routing and Default Modes

By default, the Ventris detects what has been plugged into its inputs and outputs and sets the routing mode automatically. The table below summarizes each Auto Routing Mode and its corresponding cable connections.

INPUT 1	INPUT 2	OUTPUT 1	OUTPUT 2	Resulting Auto Routing Mode
Connected		Connected		Mono in, Mono Out, Dual Parallel
Connected	Connected	Connected		Stereo in, Mono Out, Dual Parallel
Connected		Connected	Connected	Mono in, Stereo Out, Dual Parallel
Connected	Connected	Connected	Connected	Stereo in, Stereo Out, Dual Parallel

Please note that by default switching the A/B Reverb Toggle Switch to the A + B position will simultaneously run Reverbs A and B in parallel and mix them together (in stereo) to the Outputs. It is also possible to run the reverbs in series (Reverb A into Reverb B). To run the reverb engines in series, first flip the toggle switch to either the A or B Reverb, then hold down the CONTROL INPUT button (at the top of the pedal) and switch the toggle back to the A + B position – the reverbs now run in series. Follow the same process to switch back to parallel processing

Warning: If you connect the Neuro App cable from your mobile device to INPUT 2, the Ventris will detect it as an audio input and adopt one of the Stereo In Modes, which might create additional noise and affect the stereo signal. This is especially true when the Neuro App cable is not connected to the phone. You can override this action by going into the app and selecting the Mono In routing mode that you want. If you want to connect a stereo input AND the Neuro App cable into INPUT 2, use a TRS (Tip, Ring, Sleeve) stereo splitter and make sure that the Neuro signal is on the Ring and the instrument signal is on the Tip (the Sleeve acts as the ground).



#### Mono In, Mono Out (1)

This is the most common use case. Plugging the incoming signal into Input 1 with Output 1 connected to an amp (or the next device in the signal chain) produces a standard mono signal. Dual processing reverbs are also mixed down a single output.

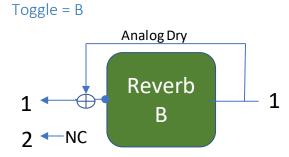
Toggle = A

Analog Dry

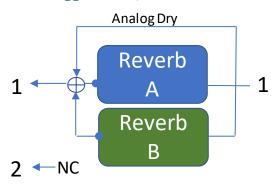
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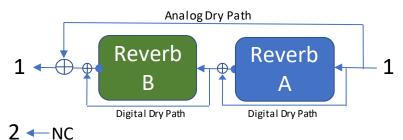


Toggle = A+B, Dual Parallel



- Mix Knob = Analog Dry Level
- Control 1 knob = Reverb A level
- Control 2 knob = Reverb B level

Toggle = A+B, Dual Cascade



- Mix Knob = Analog Dry Level
- Control 1 knob = Reverb A/Digital dry mix
- Control 2 knob = Reverb B/Digital dry mix



#### Stereo In, Mono Out (2)

This mode receives two input signals and mixes them down to a single Output. It can be used for "sum to mono" applications. Note: there is NO INPUT 2 SIGNAL when the pedal is in bypass.

Toggle = A

Analog Dry

Reverb

A

Analog Dry

Reverb

A

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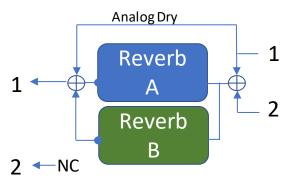
Reverb

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Analog Dry

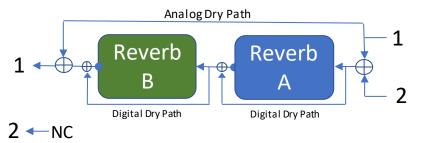
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Toggle = A+B, Dual Parallel



- Mix Knob = Overall wet/analog dry mix
- Control 1 knob = Reverb A level
- Control 2 knob = Reverb B level

Toggle = A+B, Dual Cascade



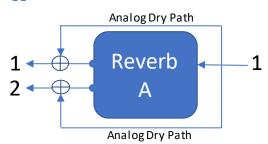
- Mix Knob = Overall wet/Analog dry mix
- Control 1 knob = Reverb A/Digital dry mix
- Control 2 knob = Reverb B/Digital dry mix



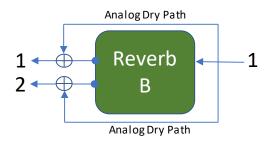
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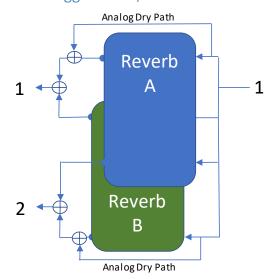
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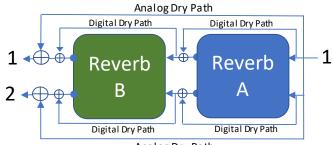


Toggle = A+B, Dual Parallel



- Mix Knob = Analog Dry Level
- Control 1 knob = Reverb A level
- Control 2 knob = Reverb B level

Toggle = A+B, Dual Cascade



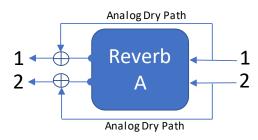
- Analog Dry Path
- Mix Knob = Analog Dry Level
- Control 1 knob = Reverb A/digital dry mix
- Control 2 knob = Reverb B/digital dry mix



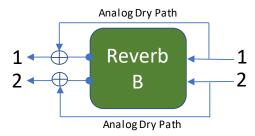
#### Stereo In, Dependent Stereo Out (4)

This mode should be your default selection for Stereo In, Stereo Out applications. Most effective stereo reverb processing is performed with information from both input channels, so the modes in this section should not be considered as completely independent audio channels. If you are sure you want channel independence, seek the configurations with "independent" stereo signal processing.

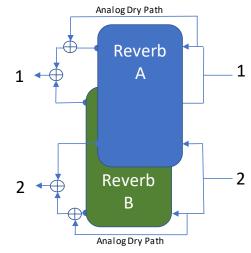
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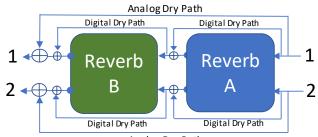


Toggle = Reverb A+B, Dual Parallel



- Mix Knob = Analog Dry Level
- Control 1 knob = Reverb A level
- Control 2 knob = Reverb B level

### Toggle = Reverb A+B, Dual Cascade



- Analog Dry Path
- Mix Knob = Analog Dry Level
- Control 1 knob = Reverb A/digital dry mix
- Control 2 knob = Reverb B/digital dry mix



#### **External Control**

Plug an expression pedal, an external footswitch, the Source Audio Tap Tempo Switch, or the Source Audio Hot Hand 3 Universal Wireless Controller into the Ventris Dual Reverb's CONTROL INPUT or PEDAL IN jack and access an array of external functionality and expression control.



#### **External Switches**

External switches can be used for several different control options. They provide an easy way to remotely step through presets, input a tap tempo signal, and more. The Ventris is compatible with most passive single or dual external footswitches. The Ventris is also compatible with the Source Audio Tap Tempo Switch, which can be purchased directly from the Source Audio online store: www.sourceaudiostore.net

#### External Switches (1/4" TRS Connection)

Use an external switch to access an assortment of useful control options. Connect a passive single or dual footswitch to the ¼" PEDAL IN jack on the top of the pedal and set the PEDAL IN switch (located next to the PEDAL IN jack) to the SWITCH setting. If using a single switch, connect using a regular mono (TS) cable. If using a dual switch use a stereo (TRS) cable. By default, the TIP signal is used to increment the current preset and the RING signal control tap tempo.



With the Neuro Editor, it is also possible to assign a number of different control functions to an external switch. Additional external switch options include A to B Reverb Toggling, A to A + B Reverb



Toggling, Tap Tempo, Hold (a.k.a. "Freeze"), and Build. Go to the <u>Neuro Editor's Footswitch Options</u> section for a full description of each External Switch Option.

# External Switches (1/8" TRRS Connection)

The Source Audio Tap Tempo footswitch can also be connected to the CONTROL IN jack using a 3.5mm (1/8 inch) cable. If you wish to use this function, you must enable the function globally using the Enable External Tap Tempo Switch in the Hardware Options of the Neuro App. Control options accessible from the 1/8" SENSOR INPUT include Preset Increment, Preset Decrement, A to B Reverb Toggling, A to A + B Reverb Toggling, Tap Tempo, Hold (a.k.a. "Freeze"), and Build. Go to Sensor Input / Footswitch Options in the Neuro Sound Editor section for a complete list and descriptions of external controls.

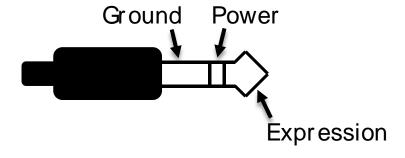
Source Audio Tap Tempo footswitches can be purchased directly from Source Audio via our online store: www.sourceaudiostore.net

# **External Expression Control**

A variety of the Ventris's effects parameters can be controlled with a passive expression pedal connected to either the PEDAL IN or the CONTROL INPUT port. By default, when a passive expression pedal is connected to the PEDAL IN jack, the Ventris will default to using the pedal as an Input Level control. This feature can be used to create volume swell effects. When using a dual reverb effect with parallel routing (A+B on the A/B Reverb Toggle Switch) the external expression pedal will control a cross-fade between the two Reverbs. Alternatively, users can map the expression pedal to control any combination of up to three knobs or Neuro parameters.

# External Expression Controller (1/4" TRS Connection – PEDAL IN jack)

Passive expression pedals such as the Source Audio Dual Expression Pedal or Reflex Universal Expression Pedal can be connected directly to the 1/4" PEDAL IN jack with a TRS cable. Make sure that the PEDAL IN switch (next to the PEDAL IN jack) is set to EXP when using this input for expression control. Third-party expression pedals can be used as well, as long as they have a TRS (Tip Ring Sleeve) plug with power on the ring, expression (the wiper of the potentiometer) on the tip, and ground on the sleeve, as seen in the diagram below.

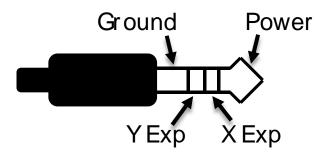




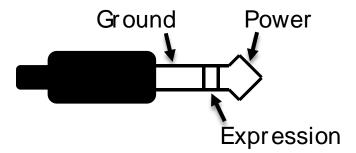
Please note, expression pedals with TS (Tip Sleeve) plugs will not work correctly with the expression input (PEDAL IN jack) of the Ventris. Also, the resistance of the expression pedal is not critical. Pedal calibration is done automatically when a new external control mapping is created.

#### External Expression Controller (1/8"/3.5mm TRRS Connection – CONTROL INPUT jack)

The Source Audio Dual Expression Pedal or Reflex Universal Expression Pedal can be directly connected to the CONTROL INPUT jack using a 3.5mm (1/8 inch), TRRS cable. In the case of an expression pedal with a TRRS plug, the tip connection is power, the first ring is the X-axis expression signal, the second ring is the Y-axis expression signal, and the sleeve connection is ground. In this configuration, the Ventris uses the X expression signal as its expression source.



Third party expression pedals can be connected to the CONTROL INPUT as well, as long as they have a 3.5 mm (1/8") TRS (Tip Ring Sleeve) plug with power on the tip, expression (the wiper of the potentiometer) on the ring, and ground on the sleeve, as seen in the diagram below.



Expression pedals with TS (Tip Sleeve) plugs will not work correctly with the CONTROL INPUT of the Ventris. For proper operation, the configuration steps in the next section must be followed when using any expression pedal, whether from a third party or from Source Audio.

#### Configuring the Expression Pedal

When the expression pedal is connected to the Ventris, follow these simple steps to calibrate it and map it to control different effect parameters.

- 1. Press the Control Input Button to enable external control mode. The Control LED should be lit red.
- 2. Press and hold the CONTROL INPUT BUTTON until the CONTROL LED begins to blink slowly (approximately one blink per second).



- 3. Move the expression pedal over the range of motion you would like to use to control the Ventris. If you would like to use the expression pedal's full range of motion, make sure to move the pedal all the way from its minimum position to its maximum position. Note that you can create "dead zones," if desired, by only moving the expression pedal over a limited region of its full range of motion.
- 4. After setting the expression pedal range, click the ON/OFF FOOTSWITCH once. The calibration is now complete, and the CONTROL LED will blink faster (about 2 blinks per second). Now, it is time to map the expression pedal to the effect parameters.
- 5. Move the knobs and Neuro parameters (Neuro parameters only accessible when connected to the Neuro Mobile App or Neuro Desktop Editor) you wish to control with the expression pedal to the minimum desired position and then click the ON/OFF FOOTSWITCH. The CONTROL LED will now blink even faster (about 4 blinks per second). Note that you may control one or more knobs with the expression pedal, up to six total knobs.
- 6. Move the knobs and Neuro parameters you wish to control with the expression pedal to the maximum desired position and then click the ON/OFF FOOTSWITCH. The CONTROL LED will now be lit solid red.
- 7. After setting the minimum and maximum knob positions, the parameter mapping is complete.

**Note:** The parameter range can be inverted by swapping the minimum and maximum position of the knobs during steps 5 and 6.

**Note:** To cancel a control assignment, press the CONTROL INPUT button at any time during the process above.

**Note:** if you want to use the default Input Volume Control function but calibrate the range of an expression pedal, do the procedure above but cancel the assignment after step 4 by pressing the CONTROL INPUT button. The pedal calibration will be retained but no mapping to knobs will be created.

Once a mapping is created, it can be stored as part of a user preset. This way, each preset can be configured to have its own custom mapping.

External Control can be toggled on/off at any time by pressing the CONTROL INPUT button.

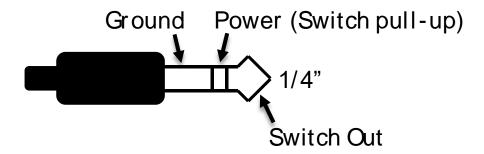
# External Switch Used As Expression Input (Expression "Toggle")

An external switch can also work as a sort of expression pedal that only has two positions: on and off. The external switch can be either momentary or latching.

### External Switch as Expression Toggle (1/4" TRS Connection – PEDAL IN Jack)

To use this mode, connect an external switch to PEDAL IN and set the PEDAL IN switch to the EXP position instead of the SWITCH position. The following plug configuration is required:



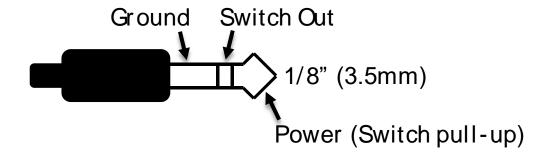


Follow these steps for configuration:

- 1. Press the Control Input Button to enable external control. The Control LED should be lit red.
- 2. Press and hold the CONTROL INPUT BUTTON until the CONTROL LED begins to blink slowly (approximately one blink per second).
- 3. Tap the external switch once.
- 4. Click the ON/OFF FOOTSWITCH once. The CONTROL LED will blink faster (about 2 blinks per second). Now, it is time to map the external switch to the effect parameters.
- 5. Move the knobs and Neuro parameters (Neuro parameters are only accessible when connected to the Neuro Mobile App or Neuro Desktop Editor) you wish to control with the expression pedal to the minimum desired position and then click the ON/OFF FOOTSWITCH. The CONTROL LED will now blink even faster (about 4 blinks per second). Note that you may control one or more knobs with the expression pedal, up to six total knobs.
- 6. Move the knobs and Neuro parameters you wish to control with the expression pedal to the maximum desired position and then click the ON/OFF FOOTSWITCH. The CONTROL LED will now be lit solid red.
- 7. After setting the minimum and maximum knob positions, the parameter mapping is complete.

# External Switch as Expression Toggle (1/8" (3.5mm) TRRS Connection – CONTROL INPUT Jack)

To use this mode, connect an external switch to CONTROL INPUT and set the PEDAL IN SWITCH to the SWITCH position instead of the EXP position. The following plug configuration is required:



Follow these steps for configuration:

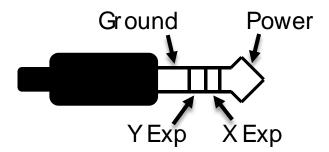
1. Press the Control Input Button to enable external control. The Control LED should be lit red.



- 2. Press and hold the CONTROL INPUT BUTTON until the CONTROL LED begins to blink slowly (approximately one blink per second).
- 3. Tap the external switch once.
- 4. Click the ON/OFF FOOTSWITCH once. The CONTROL LED will blink faster (about 2 blinks per second). Now, it is time to map the external switch to the effect parameters.
- 5. Move the knobs and Neuro parameters (Neuro parameters are only accessible when connected to the Neuro Mobile App or Neuro Desktop Editor) you wish to control with the expression pedal to the minimum desired position and then click the ON/OFF FOOTSWITCH. The CONTROL LED will now blink even faster (about 4 blinks per second). Note that you may control one or more knobs with the expression pedal, up to six total knobs.
- 6. Move the knobs and Neuro parameters you wish to control with the expression pedal to the maximum desired position and then click the ON/OFF FOOTSWITCH. The CONTROL LED will now be lit solid red.
- 7. After setting the minimum and maximum knob positions, the parameter mapping is complete.

## Hot Hand Input

The Hot Hand 3 Wireless Effects Controller can be connected directly to the CONTROL INPUT jack for wireless motion control of the Ventris Reverb's effect parameters. The Hot Hand has two axes of expression: X and Y. These signals are carried on the two rings of the TRRS cable that comes from the Hot Hand receiver. The Ventris uses the X expression signal.



### Configuring the Hot Hand

When the Hot Hand is connected to the Ventris, follow these simple steps to calibrate it and map it to control different effect parameters.

- 1. Press the Control Input Button to enable external control. The Control LED should be lit red.
- 2. Press and hold the CONTROL INPUT BUTTON until the CONTROL LED begins to blink slowly (approximately one blink per second).
- 3. Move the Hot Hand ring over the range of motion you would like to use to control the Ventris. The easiest way to do this is to move the ring in the same way that you intend to move it as you perform. The Ventris will intelligently select the X or Y axis of the Hot Hand automatically, based on the motion of the ring.
- 4. After setting Hot Hand range of motion, click the ON/OFF FOOTSWITCH once. The calibration is now complete, and the CONTROL LED will blink faster (about 2 blinks per second). Now, it is time to map the Hot Hand to the effect parameters.



- 5. Move the knobs and Neuro parameters (Neuro parameters are only accessible when connected to the Neuro Mobile App or Neuro Desktop Editor) you wish to control with the Hot Hand to their minimum desired position and then click the ON/OFF FOOTSWITCH. The CONTROL LED will now blink even faster (about 4 blinks per second). Note that you may control one or more knobs with the Hot Hand, up to four total knobs.
- 6. Move the knobs and Neuro parameters you wish to control with the Hot Hand to the maximum desired position and then click the ON/OFF FOOTSWITCH. The CONTROL LED will now be lit solid red.
- 7. After setting the minimum and maximum knob positions, the parameter mapping is complete.

### Reset Expression Control Mapping

To clear the expression control mapping (Expression or Hot Hand), first press the CONTROL INPUT BUTTON to turn OFF control mode. The CONTROL LED should be off. Then, press and hold the CONTROL INPUT BUTTON until the CONTROL LED blinks 3 times. This clears all expression or Hot Hand mapping and resets external control back to the default Input Volume Control.



# Neuro Desktop and Mobile Editors

Note: The Neuro Desktop Editor and Neuro Mobile is not yet available for the Ventris Dual Reverb.

The updated versions of the Neuro Editors will be available very shortly. Please email

contact@sourceaudio net if you have any questions regarding the status of the Neuro Editors. This

<u>contact@sourceaudio.net</u> if you have any questions regarding the status of the Neuro Editors. This manual will be updated with full Neuro instructions after the software update is complete.



Like all the pedals in the Source Audio One Series line, the Ventris Dual Reverb will feature an extensive collection of additional reverb engines, deep editing parametes and added functionality via the Neuro Desktop and Mobile Editor software. The Neuro Mobile App will be available for iOS and Android devices and the Neuro Desktop Editor will be available for Windows and Macintosh personal computers. All Neuro downloads are free.



### Neuro Hub

The Source Audio Neuro Hub (sold separately) unites Source Audio pedals from the Soundblox 2 and One Series families to create a single, stage-ready effects system. It features shared MIDI, passive expression pedal input, Hot Hand connectivity, and USB, and can connect up to five Source Audio pedals. The Neuro Hub features a powerful scene saving functionality, which allows you to create up to 128 multi-pedal presets known as scenes, each recallable via MIDI program change messages. Connect the Neuro Hub to your computer via USB for updates, saving and editing multi-pedal presets, and more. To connect the Ventris to the Neuro hub, use a 3.5 mm TRRS cable and make a connection between the Ventris's CONTROL INPUT jack and any of the Neuro Hub's multi-function outputs. For more information, refer to the Neuro Hub documentation on the Source Audio website.

### MIDI

Using the MIDI IN jack (5-pin DIN) or a USB connection, the Ventirs can be controlled by generic MIDI Continuous Controller (CC) and Program Change (PC) messages. Many of the Ventris' parameters (even those that are not assigned to a control knob) are directly accessible via MIDI continuous controller messages.

### MIDI Channel

By default, the Ventris responds to MIDI Channel 1. The Ventris ignores all MIDI messages sent to it that are not on its channel, with the exception of MIDI clock messages. The input MIDI channel for the Ventris can be changed in the Hardware Options menu of the Neuro Editors. Note that the MIDI Input Channel is a **global** setting that is NOT saved per preset. Note that some manufacturers begin counting MIDI channels at zero (from 0 to 15), while the Source Audio Neuro Editors use the convention of counting from 1 to 16.

### Selecting Presets via Program Change Messages

The 128 user presets on the Ventris can be recalled via program change messages. Presets 1 to 128 are mapped to MIDI Program Change messages 1 to 128.

It is possible to save presets with the Ventris bypassed. This means the preset can be recalled without actually engaging the reverb effect. The reverb effect can then be engaged either by pressing the ON/OFF FOOTSWITCH or by sending the proper MIDI Continuous Control message.

Many of the parameters in the Ventris can be controlled via MIDI. For more details, see MIDI Implementation.

#### MIDI Clock

The Ventris can sync to MIDI clock (also known as MIDI timing clock or MIDI beat clock). MIDI clock is tempo-dependent and is used to ensure that multiple MIDI-enabled devices stay synchronized. A common use of MIDI clock with the Ventris is when recording along to a click track in a DAW (Digital Audio Workstation) running on a computer. MIDI clock can be sent to the Ventris directly on the MIDI IN jack, over USB-MIDI, or via the Control Port from the Neuro Hub.

The Ventris does not sync to MIDI timecode containing SMPTE timestamps.



### **USB**

The Ventris's USB port is plug-and-play ready for Windows and Mac computers. The Ventris uses class-compliant drivers, so no special drivers are needed. Just power up the Ventris and connect it to the computer using a USB cable. The computer will automatically recognize the Ventris, which will be identified as "One Series Ventris Dual Reverb" in the operating system.

USB connectivity brings many benefits, such as the ability to download firmware updates to the Ventris, configuration of advanced parameters, accessing new effect engines created by the Source Audio engineers, and MIDI connectivity to audio production software running on the computer.

#### **USB-MIDI**

The Ventris will appear as a MIDI device in your computer's operating system. As a result, the Ventris can communicate with audio production software that utilizes MIDI, such as Pro Tools, Ableton Live, Logic Pro, and more. MIDI messages can be sent directly to the Ventris using the USB connection, which allows for full automation of the Ventris within host software such as a DAW. For example, the depth or speed of the LFO can be automated by outputting MIDI continuous controller messages from the host software to the Ventris via the USB connection. For more details, see MIDI Implementation.

### **Specifications**

### **Dimensions**

- Length: 11.63 cm (4.58 inches)
- Width: 11.17 cm (4.40 inches)
- Height (not including knobs and footswitches): 3.71 cm (1.46 inches)
- Height (including knobs and footswitches): 5.61 cm (2.21 inches)

### Weight

• 450 grams (1 pound)

### Power

- 280 mA @ 9V DC
- Center negative, Barrel positive plug, 2.1 mm inner diameter, 5.5 mm outer diameter

### Audio Performance

- Maximum Input Level: +6.54 dBV = 8.76 dBu = 2.12 V RMS = 6.0 V p-p
- Full Scale Output Level: +6.54 dBV = 8.76 dBu = 2.12 V RMS = 6.0 V p-p
- Input Impedance: 1 MegaOhm (1 MΩ)
- Output Impedance: 600 Ohm (600  $\Omega$ )
- 110 dB DNR Audio Path
- 24-bit Audio Conversion
- 56-bit Digital Data Path
- Universal Bypass (relay-based true bypass and analog buffered bypass)



## Troubleshooting

### **Restore Factory Settings**

In order to revert the Ventris to its factory settings, clearing all user data, presets, expression mappings and custom effect engines, use either the Neuro Mobile App or Neuro Desktop Editor and choose the Factory Reset option in the Hardware Options menus. It is also possible to perform a factory reset without the Neuro App by following these steps:

- Press and hold the OPTION FOOTSWITCH.
- Connect the power supply.
- The CONTROL LED will blink rapidly until the reset is complete. You can stop holding the TAP FOOTSWITCH once the CONTROL LED starts to blink.

#### Noise

**Power source:** Ensure that the proper power supply is being used.

**Near noise source:** Move pedal away from power supplies and other equipment.

Other equipment: Remove other effects from signal chain; see if noise persists.

Bad cables: Swap out audio cables.

**USB ground loop:** When connected to a computer using a USB cable, noise can appear in the audio signal. This usually results from ground loop noise due to the Ventris and computer running on separate power supplies. In the case of laptops, disconnecting the computer's power supply and running it on a battery can often mitigate the noise. External display monitors are often the primary source of noise, and powering down monitors can also resolve noise issues.

**Ground loop with amp:** Make sure your Ventris is running on the same power mains circuit as your guitar amplifier.

### Hot Hand Doesn't Work

Low power: Ensure that the proper power supply is being used.

Not calibrated properly: Calibrate the Hot Hand. See the Hot Hand Input section for more details.

Not connected properly: Check Hot Hand connections.

### Unit Appears Dead / No LEDs Lit

Wrong power supply: Use correct power supply. See the DC 9V (Power) section for more details.

# Frequently Asked Questions

### How can I access the extended reverb engines without the app?

The extended reverb engines can be accessed via MIDI or USB-MIDI. Send a MIDI message CC #1 with a value between 0 and 23. Values 0 to 11 correspond to engines Room (0) through Reverse (11). Values 12 to 23 correspond to extended engines Resonant Analog (12) through Oil Can (23).



### What kind of instruments can I connect to the Ventris's inputs?

The Ventris's audio inputs are high impedance ( $^{\sim}$  1 M $\Omega$ ) and they can accept high impedance signal sources like guitars/basses with passive pickups, as well as low impedance sources like line-level audio circuits, guitars/basses with active pickups, electronic keyboards, or mixer outputs. The input circuit can handle signals ranging up to 6.0 Volts, peak-to-peak.

### Can I power the Ventris directly over USB, without using the 9 Volt supply?

No. USB provides 5 Volts, but the Ventris needs 9 Volts, so the Ventris cannot be powered directly from USB. Make sure that you have plugged in the included 9V DC power supply when connecting to the Ventris's USB port.

# When connecting the Ventris to a recording interface or mixer, should I used a Lo-Z (microphone) or Hi-Z (line / instrument) input?

The Ventris's output will be low impedance when the effect is active or in buffered bypass mode, but it will be high impedance when using true bypass mode and a guitar with passive pickups. Therefore, it is recommended that you use a high impedance (Hi-Z) input on your recording interface or mixer to avoid signal loss.

### Why doesn't the Ventris respond to MIDI messages being sent to it?

By default, the Ventris should respond to MIDI continuous controller messages on channel 1. The Ventris's MIDI channel can be configured using the Neuro Editors. Channel numbers in MIDI use zero-based counting, so MIDI channel 1 is described as 0 in hexadecimal, MIDI channel 2 is described as 1 in hexadecimal, and so on, concluding with MIDI channel 16, which is described as F in hexadecimal. A continuous controller message starts with a hexadecimal B and is followed by the channel number (0 through F).

So, the command byte from your MIDI controller should be formatted as shown in the following table:

MIDI Channel (Decimal)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
CC Command Byte (Hex)	В0	B1	B2	В3	B4	B5	В6	В7	В8	В9	ВА	ВВ	ВС	BD	BE	BF

Each continuous controller command byte is followed by two bytes, the CC number and the value. So, each CC message consists of a total of three bytes. If the Ventris is not responding to MIDI, make sure that your MIDI controller is properly configured and sending messages in the format described above.

### Can I use the Ventris in my amp's effects loop?

The Ventris's audio inputs can handle up to 8.76 dBu or 6.0 Volts peak-to-peak, which allows it to work in most amp effects loops. Be sure to check your amp's documentation to verify that the maximum send level is less than the Ventris's maximum input level.

### How do I update the firmware?

Firmware updates are available via the Neuro Desktop Editor using the USB port. Power the pedal and connect it to your computer using a mini USB cable. The Neuro Desktop Editor is available from



Source Audio's website: <a href="http://www.sourceaudio.net/support/downloads">http://www.sourceaudio.net/support/downloads</a>. While the pedal is connected, select the Arrow Icon located in the Ventris Dual Reverb square in the Connections field.

### Mac Gatekeeper

Mac users may see this warning message when trying to open the updater software: "App can't be opened because it was not downloaded from the Mac App Store." In order to run the updater, please refer to the steps in this Apple support article: https://support.apple.com/en-us/HT202491.

## MIDI Implementation

### **Program Change Messages**

By default, the Ventris responds to Program Change messages as shown in this table:

Parameter	Message Type	Data Value
Enable Preset 1	Program Change	000
Enable Preset 2	Program Change	001
Enable Preset 3	Program Change	002
Enable Preset 4	Program Change	003
Enable Preset 5	Program Change	004
Enable Preset 6	Program Change	005
Enable Preset 7	Program Change	006
Enable Preset 8	Program Change	007
Enable Preset 9 to 128	Program Change	008 to 127

To bypass the Ventris using Program Change messages, just set up one of the 128 presets with the effect bypassed, and recall that preset when you need to bypass the Ventris.

### **Clock Messages**

The Ventris responds to MIDI beat clock (decimal 248, hex 0xF8), which should be sent at a rate of 24 ppqn (pulses per quarter note). The Ventris does not respond to clock start (0xFA), clock continue (0xFB), or clock stop (0xFC) messages. The Ventirs does not respond to MIDI timecode.

### Continuous Control Messages

Many parameters can be controlled via MIDI. A complete listing is too large to include in this manual. Note, the Ventris MIDI Implementation document has not yet been published. Please email <a href="mailto:contact@sourceaudio.net">contact@sourceaudio.net</a> regarding any questions about the Ventris Dual Reverb's MIDI implementation.

### **Custom CC Mapping**

The default MIDI map provides control over parameters using specific Continuous Controller messages (described in the Ventris MIDI Implementation document available on the Source Audio website). It is possible, however, to override the default map and create a custom mapping. There are several important things to note when setting up a custom MIDI CC mapping:



- Custom MIDI CC mappings are global, meaning they are not unique per preset. The CC mapping will apply in all situations, regardless of which preset is active.
- Important! By creating a custom MIDI CC mapping, the default CC mapping described in the MIDI Implementation document will be cleared and can only be recovered by performing a Factory Reset. You should only create a custom MIDI CC mapping if you know what you are doing. If you are unsure, then we recommend sticking to the default mapping.

To create a custom MIDI CC mapping, follow these steps:

- If necessary, press the Control Input Button to make the Control LED illuminate.
- Press and hold the CONTROL INPUT BUTTON until the CONTROL LED begins to blink.
- Send the desired MIDI CC (with any value) to the Ventris via the MIDI INPUT JACK or USB. The CONTROL LED will begin to blink quickly when the MIDI CC is received.
- Important! The next step (if you are performing it for the first time) will clear the default MIDI CC mapping. If you wish to back out, now is the time to do it. You can press the CONTROL INPUT BUTTON to exit the mapping and leave the default MIDI CC map intact.
- If you wish to map this CC to a knob, turn the desired knob. If the mapping was successful, the CONTROL LED will be lit solid, indicating that the mapping is complete.
- If you wish to map this CC to a Neuro Parameter, move the corresponding control in the Neuro App to send that parameter data to the Ventris. If the mapping was successful, the CONTROL LED will be lit solid, indicating that the mapping is complete.

### Rubber Feet

The Ventris comes standard with a flat aluminum bottom, making it easy to apply Velcro and mount to a pedalboard. Additionally, adhesive rubber feet are included in the Ventris box. Applying the rubber feet to the Ventris can help prevent it from sliding on flat surfaces such as a hardwood floor.

# Waste Disposal Notes



If possible, dispose of the device at an electronics recycling center. Do not dispose of the device with the household waste.

For full compliance with EN 61000-4-6 standard, input cable must be less than 3 meters in length.

# Warranty

### Limited Transferrable Warranty

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