

SynthWiz Simple Synth: Read this First

SynthWiz Simple Synth has been designed with one purpose—to illustrate some points raised in *Becoming a Synthesizer Wizard: From Presets to Power User*.

SynthWiz Simple Synth is a Windows VST synthesizer—no other formats are available. The instructions for how to install and use the synthesizer are included within the book. As the book will tell you, you will need a host to run this synthesizer—a number of suitable hosts (including some free hosts) are mentioned in the book. For the record, I have no relationship with any of the host providers.

This synthesizer has been designed to be as straightforward as humanly possible, given what I want to illustrate. It has not been designed to be a fully-featured (or even reasonably well-featured) synthesizer and I have not undertaken any work to optimize its sonic qualities. I would not expect anyone to use this synthesizer except in connection with the book, but if you do want to use it for other things, that's fine with me.

This synthesizer is offered “as is” and, as I say, is intended solely to illustrate some of the points raised in the book. No warranty is offered or implied by either me or the publisher. Also, no support is offered by either of us, so if you can't get it working, then I'm afraid you're on your own.

The synthesizer was built with SynthEdit using standard SynthEdit components. The only bit of customization is the background image which is a simple bitmap. If you want to look at the construction of the synthesizer, then you can download the SynthEdit files and the background bitmap from:
<http://noisesculpture.com/synthwiz-downloads.html>.

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You are free to mess around with the SynthEdit file and you can redistribute any creation that can trace its parentage back to that file without the need to attribute anything to me (but please do ensure you comply with the SynthEdit license). However, before you redistribute anything based on the provided SynthEdit files, please remove all references to SynthWiz Simple Synth—specifically, please remove any reference to me and the book in the about note and the VST naming.

