GiO

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Quick Start Guide

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GiO is a USB Guitar Interface and Controller for the Mac.

This Quick Start guide describes how to set up GiO with your Mac, connect speakers, headphones and instruments to GiO, and get started quickly with GarageBand.

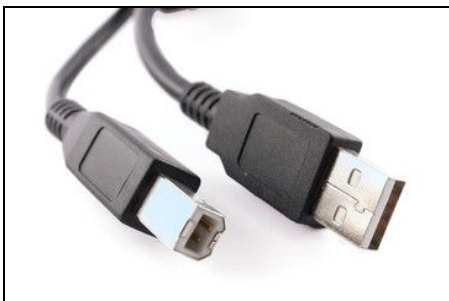You can find the most up-to-date information at our web site:
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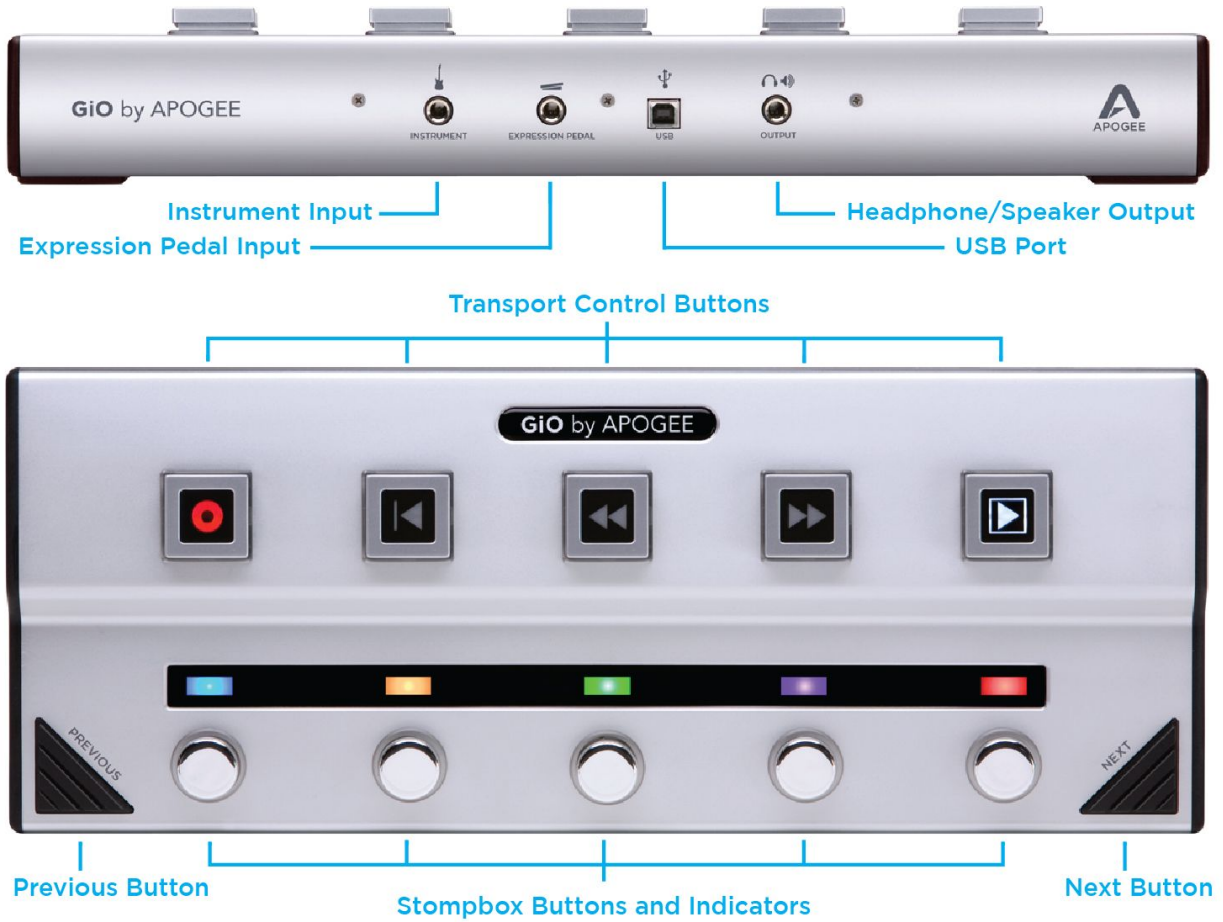
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System Requirements

Computer: Mac, with an Intel processor
Memory: 1 GB minimum of installed RAM, 2 GB recommended
Mac OS version: 10.7.5 or later
Connection and power: Any available USB port on a Mac
Software: GarageBand, Logic Pro, MainStage, (v. 9 or higher)
or any Core Audio compatible application
(Please consult our website for the most up- to-date compatibility information:
http://www.apogeedigital.com/support.)

Getting Started

Install Apogee Software

1. Go to http://www.apogeedigital.com/support#downloads
2. Download the latest GiO software installer.
3. Once you have downloaded the package, double-click the open-box icon to run the software installer.
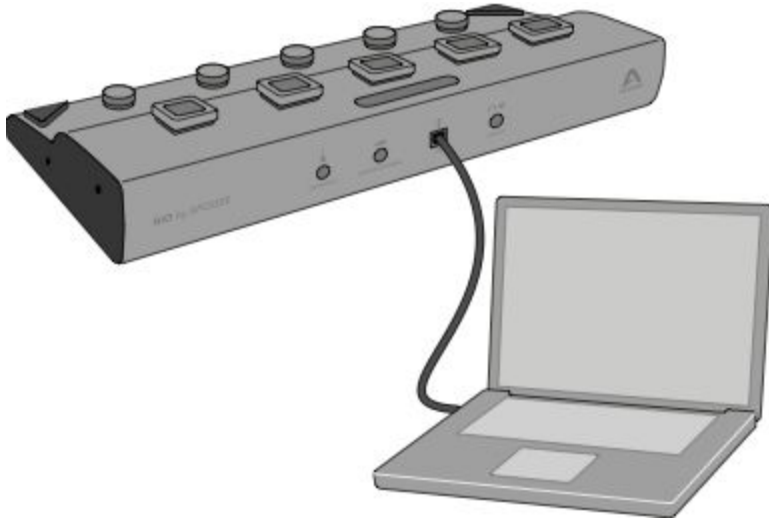*Note: If the following window pops up:*

Go to Security & Privacy found in: > System Preferences… > Security & Privacy
Click on "Open Anyway"

4. You will be required to restart your computer after the install is complete.

Connect the USB Cable

Connect GiO's USB
port to a USB port on your Mac using the provided cable. GiO is powered through the USB
connection.

Once the USB connection is made, the Transport buttons light in sequence and all Stompbox
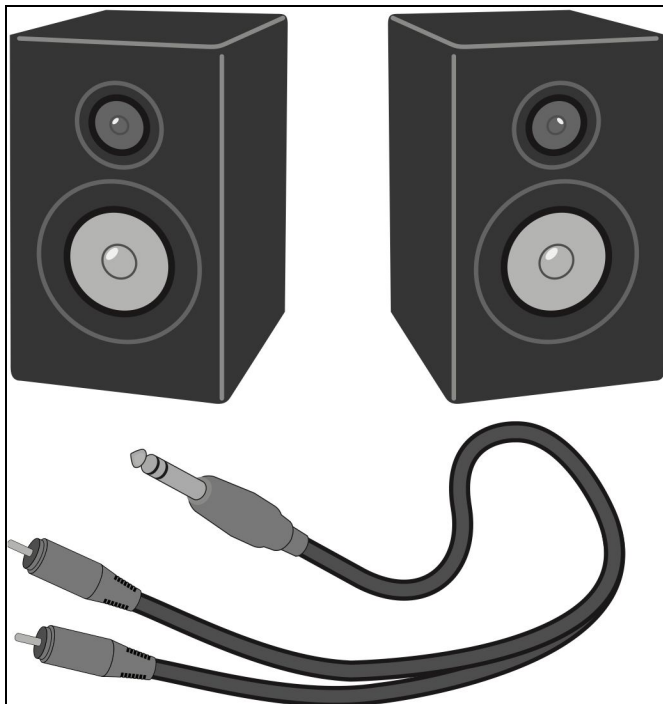indicators light green, indicating that GiO is ready for use.

Connect Headphones or Speakers

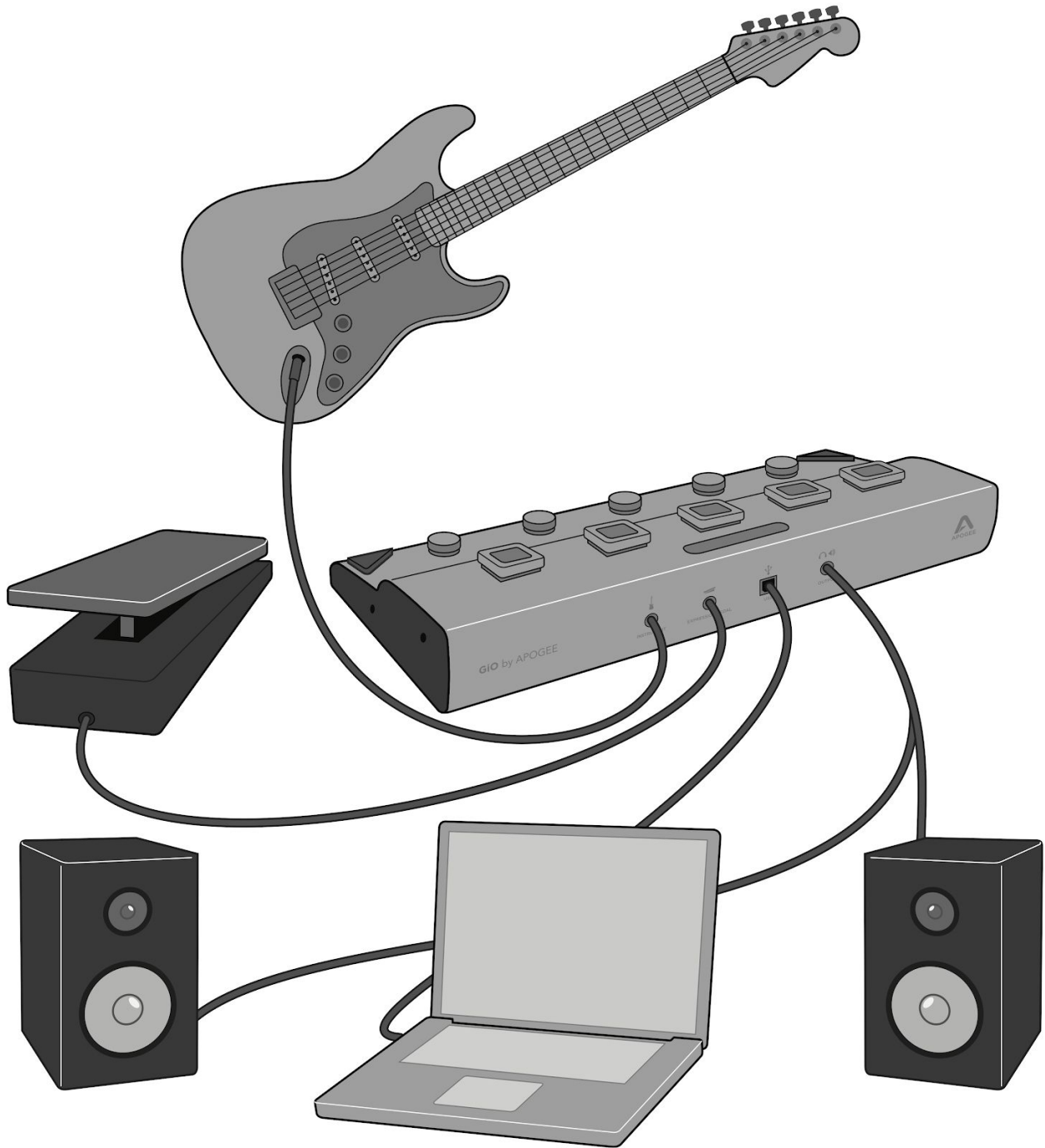Connect headphones to GiO's back panel Output jack.

To connect a pair of powered speakers using the included 1/4" TRS to dual RCA cable, connect the 1/4" TRS plug to GiO's Output jack. Next, connect the white- banded RCA plug to the left speaker and the red-banded RCA plug to the right speaker.
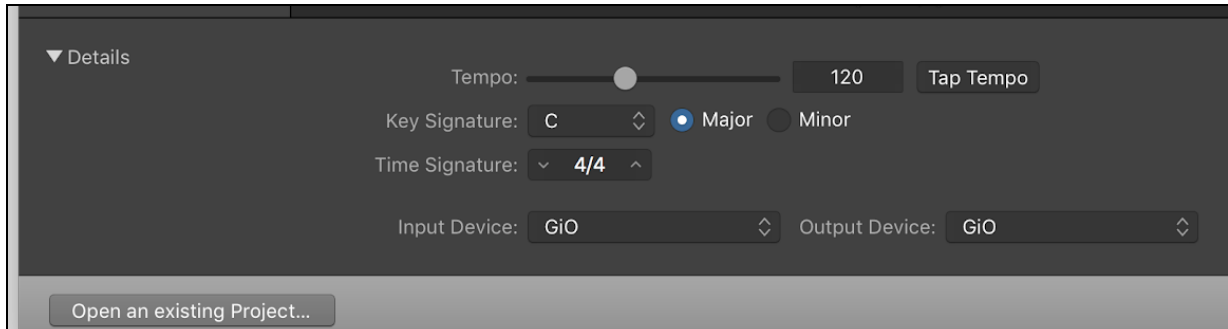
Connect Your Guitar

Connect your guitar to the Instrument input using a standard 1/4" guitar cable.
Shown below is a typical GiO setup with optional expression pedal.
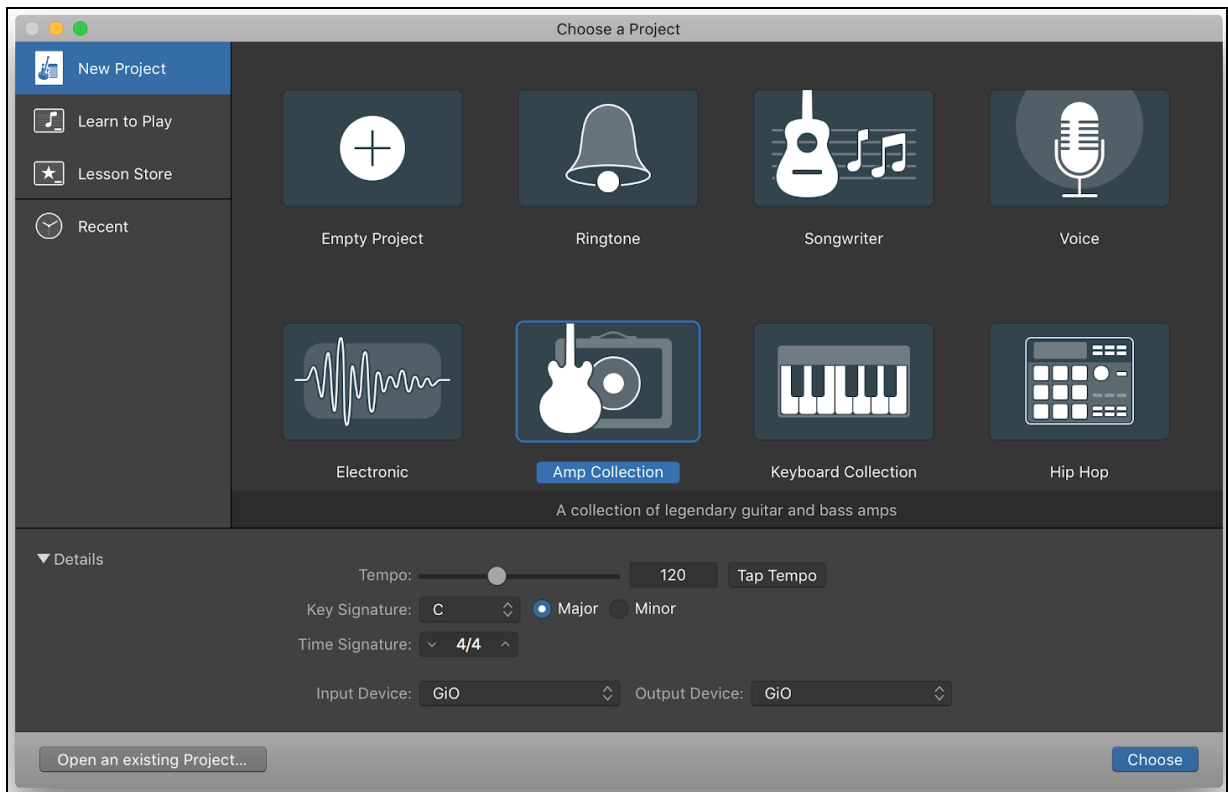*(Recommended Expression Pedals: Roland EV-5 or Yamaha FC7)*

Set up GarageBand

Open GarageBand, found in your Mac's Applications folder. In the Project Window that appears during launch, open the Details panel by clicking on the triangle.
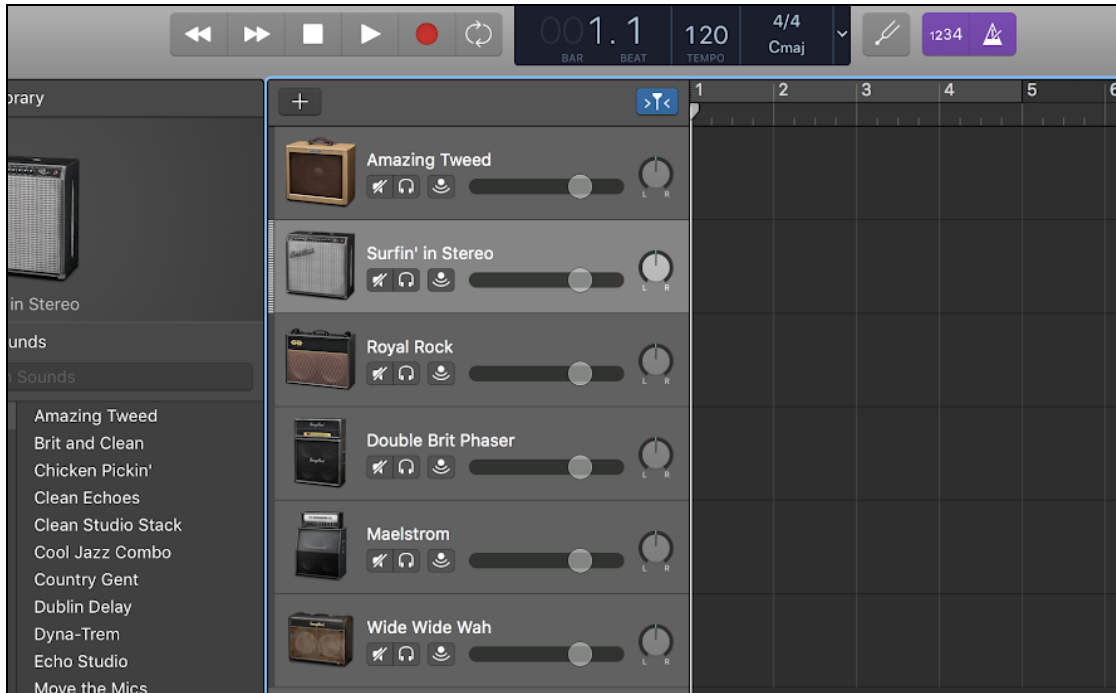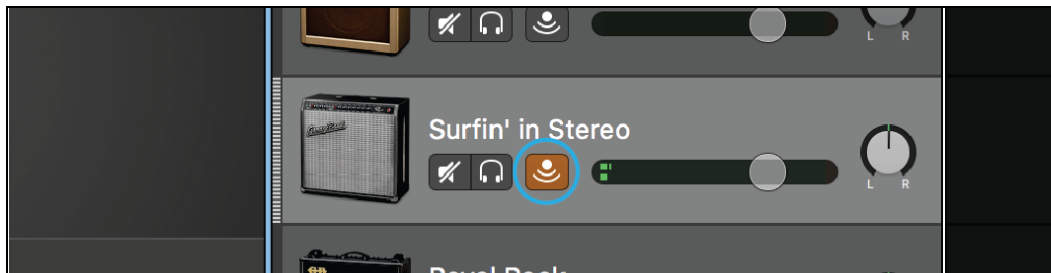Make sure that GiO is selected as the Input Device and Output Device.

Once you have GiO selected as your input and output device, click Amp Collection then click on "Choose".

Choose a guitar preset by selecting one of the available tracks.

To hear the sound from your guitar, turn on monitoring by clicking the Monitoring button in the track header.

You can scroll through the preset list by tapping GiO's Previous or Next button.

Using GiO's Stompbox Buttons

The GarageBand guitar presets will include pedals. Pressing the pedal button that will open up the pedalboard.

Each of GiO's Stompbox indicators light to a color that corresponds to the stompboxes selected in the preset.
Press GiO's Stompbox switch to turn the effect on - the indicator glows brightly.
Press again to turn the effect off - the indicator glows dimly.

Record!

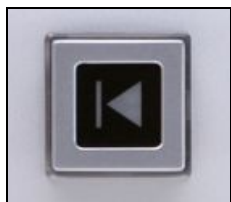Tap the Record Transport button on your GiO.
GarageBand will begin to record and the newly created region appears in GarageBand's timeline.

Press the Play/Stop button when you've finished recording.

Press Go To Beginning button or Rewind button, and tap the Play/Stop button to listen back to your recording.

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