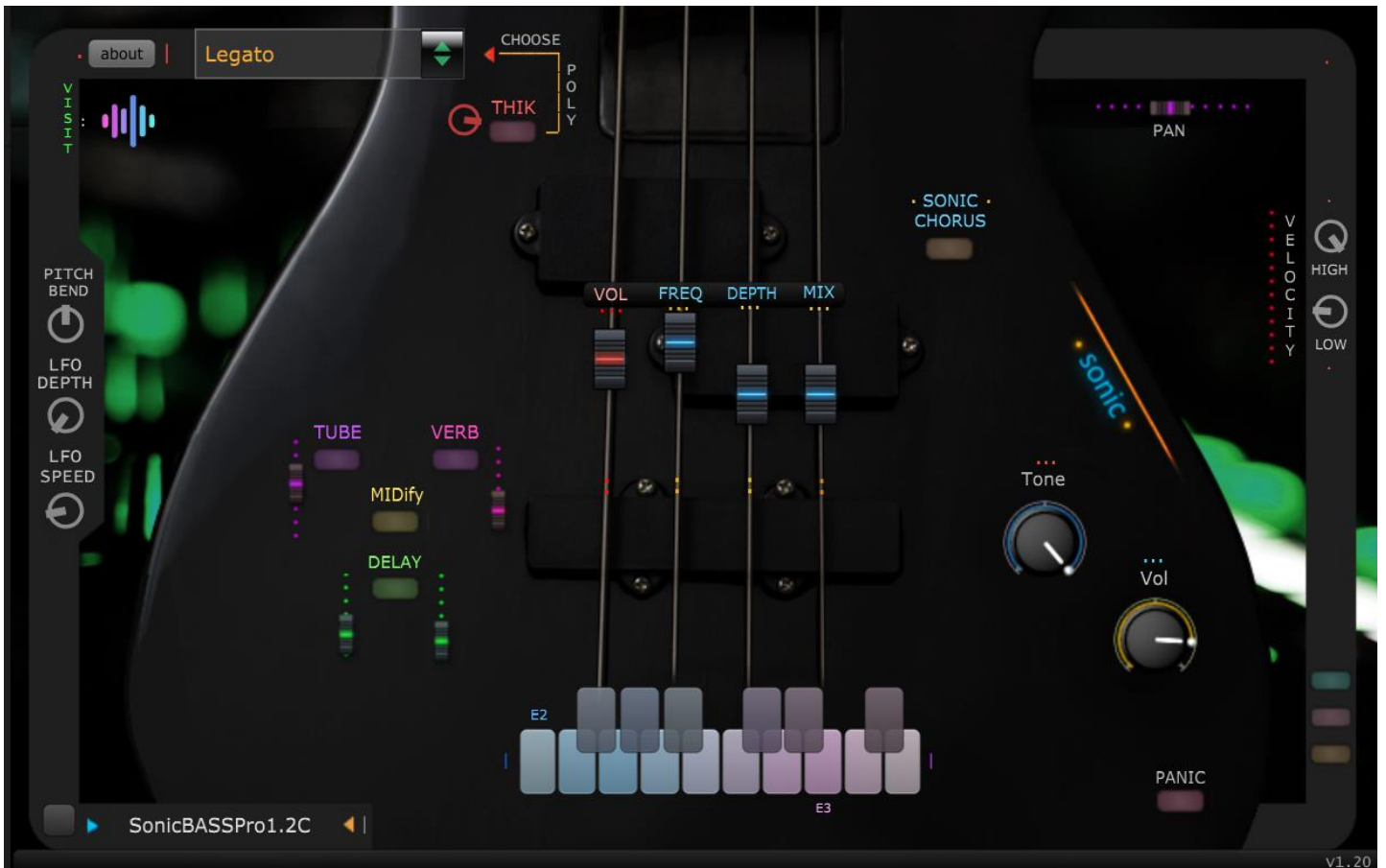


Sonic BASS Pro

USER GUIDE v1.2

DESIRED SOUNDS

This bass plugin plays straight out of the box, letting you get straight to making music.



From top left to bottom right of the plugin's interface...

ABOUT button:

- This lets you check the plugin's underlying version and developer info.

Polyphony mode selector:

- Click to choose options - sets the plugin to play single notes or many:
 - **Legato** (default) – single notes, where closely played notes don't retrigger the sound – try it and you'll see 😊
 - **Mono** (monophonic) - single notes, retriggered each time you play a note
 - **Poly** (polyphonic) - many notes. Always choose this when running THIK mode (red LED) – Poly is also for playing harmonies or chords

“VISIT” and **LOGO** (near top left):

- Clicking the logo takes you to the website (where you can see what’s new and check out my plugins (hey, I gotta get people there somehow) 😊)

THIK Knob (no jokes!) and **LED**:

- Clicking the **LED button** enables “thik” (thick) mode - makes the plugin play 2 bass samples simultaneously.
- The **red knob** can be used to adjust the blend of the extra note to the original.

PAN slider (near top right):

- This lets you pan the sound between left and right. You might want to do this on high note playing or for creative effect but usually leave this dead center.

Strings and pickups (visual):

- These are for aesthetics only – not playable. (You really want to click them though, don’t you? :)

Sonic Chorus:

- The LED button enables or disables the stereo chorus effect
- Chorus parameters (frequency, depth and mix) are controlled using the blue faders on the strings
 - **Freq:** speed of the oscillating pitch
 - **Depth:** amplitude of pitch
 - **Mix:** blend of wet chorus effect to normal, dry signal

Velocity knobs (right) – controls MIDI velocity to volume/amplitude when playing notes:

- **High:** You can use this knob to adjust the ‘high’ volume level when playing the keys hard. Usually leave this as-is. If the level gets too loud, you’ll need to back it off or turn the instrument’s volume (Vol) down to compensate.
- **Low:** This knob lets you set the lowest volume level when playing softly. Usually leave as-is. Turn up the knob if, for example, you want more oomph from a MIDI controller that has a preset velocity level (ie it always plays the same volume no matter how hard or soft you play the notes). You can also adjust it to suit to compensate for the velocity “feel” of your MIDI keyboard or controller.

Gray dials on left:

- **Bend amount** – controls the pitch bend [amount]
- **LFO Depth** – sets how strong the vibrato will be when using a mod wheel, eg on a MIDI keyboard
- **LFO Speed** - how fast the vibrato plays when using a mod wheel

Effects section:

- **“Tube”**: a type of distortion, for bite. Slider adjusts amount. Tip: start low and work your way up.
- **“Verb”**: space/reverb. Slider adjusts amount (mix of wet to dry)
- **“MIDify”**: not related to MIDI, this effect gives the bass a **mid**-range sound & sets the sound back
- **DELAY**: echo/delay effect. Left slider adjusts regeneration. Right slider adjusts effect mix amount

Sliders (faders) on the bass strings:

- Slider 1: **GAIN** - Currently it controls the instrument’s gain but note: you’ll achieve finer control using the rotary **Vol knob** (on the right of the plugin) as it has more resolution
- Sliders 2-4: As listed earlier, but here for convenience:
 - Slider 2: Chorus **Freq** - speed of the oscillating pitch
 - Slider 3: Chorus **Depth** - amplitude of pitch
 - Slider 4: Chorus **Mix** - blend of wet chorus effect to normal, dry signal

Tone knob:

- Lets you roll off the top-end (treble) for a warmer, deeper, duller sound (great for LoFi, for example)

Vol knob:

- Adjusts the plugin's volume or gain

Built-in keyboard (near center):

- Great for checking your sound (also animates when those notes are played)

> Instrument Name < (at bottom left):

- Shows the current instrument name, eg Sonic BASS Pro
- Clicking it will let you select additional instrument sounds when I add them in future

Red PANIC LED (near bottom right):

- Resets instrument’s sound if it’s playing and notes being played (MIDI notes off)

3 LEDs (multi-colored, at bottom right):

- Click each to hear the plugin's name

Ver number (bottom right):

- Displays the internal (Desired Sounds) Sonic BASS Pro version number

That's pretty much it. I hope you have fun! If you need me 🙋 leroifox@gmail.com Cheers, Leroi

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