# QUICK-START GUIDE ROLAND DJ-505



# **Installation and Setup**

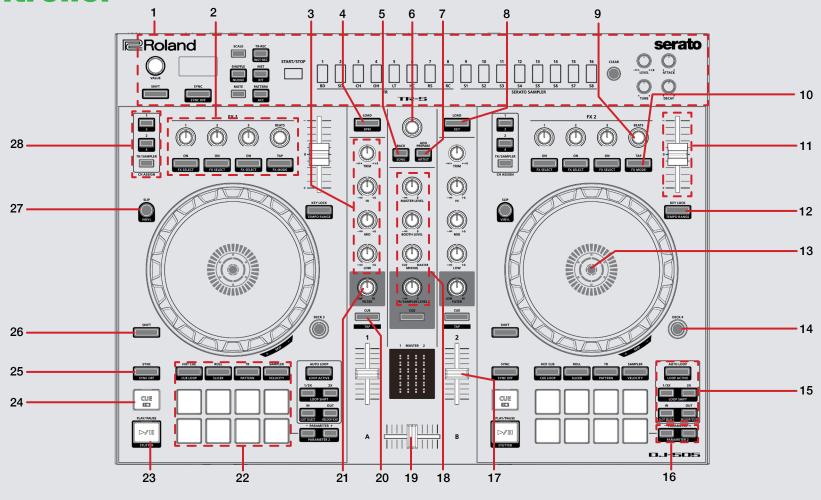
The Roland DJ-505 requires drivers for both Windows and MacOS operating systems.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** Please ensure you have the latest available drivers AND firmware updates, which are vital for compatibility with Serato DJ. These can be found on Roland's website via the link below; https://www.roland.com/global/products/dj-505/

- 1. Download and install the latest version of Serato DJ from http://serato.com/dj/downloads
- Ensure all drivers and firmware updates for the Roland DJ-505 are installed.
- 3. Connect your Roland DJ-505 to an available USB Port.
- 4. Open Serato DJ.



#### **Controller**



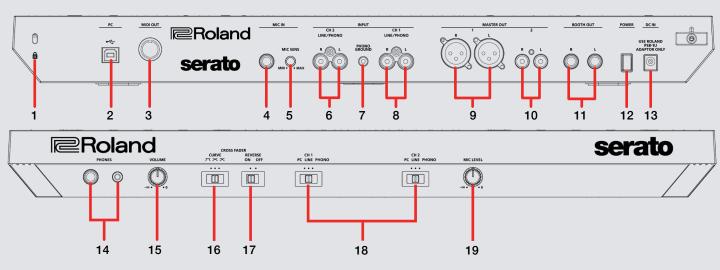
NOTE: The SHIFT button is used with other buttons that have shift modifier functions.

| #  | Roland DJ-505 Control | Function   | Shift Function                |
|----|-----------------------|--|-------------------------------|
| 1  | TR-S section          | SEE TR-S SECTION FOR MORE INFORMATION                                |                               |
| 2  | FX 1-3                | DJ-FX slot 1-3 Effect On/Off/Adjust Slot 1-3 FX Parameter            | Slot 1-3 Select Effect        |
| 3  | CHANNEL GAIN/EQ       | Channel gain and EQ controls   |                               |
| 4  | LOAD 1                | Load highlighted track to deck                                       | Sort library by BPM column    |
| 5  | BACK                  | Toggles focus back between Library and Crate list                    | Sort library by SONG column   |
| 6  | BROWSE                | Library scroll   | Fast Library scroll           |
| 7  | ADD PREPARE           | Adds the highlighted track to Prepare Crate                          | Sort library by ARTIST column |
| 8  | LOAD 2                | Load highlighted track to deck                                       | Sort library by KEY column    |
| 9  | BEATS                 | Turn to Adjust Beats Multiplier/Press to Reset Beat Multiplier       |                               |
| 10 | TAP TEMPO             | Tap to the desired FX tempo. To return to AUTO mode, press and hold. | Cycle FX mode (single/multi)  |
| 11 | TEMPO SLIDER          | Adjusts tempo/pitch  | Ignore tempo/pitch adjustment |
| 12 | KEYLOCK               | Toggle Keylock   | Select Pitch Range            |
| 13 | PLATTER/JOG WHEEL     | Control waveform with Serato DJ                                      | Platter skip                  |
| 14 | DECK SELECT           | Press individually for respective deck select                        |                               |
| 15 | LOOP CONTROLS         | Loop Controls. SEE LOOPING SECTION FOR MORE INFORMATION              |                               |



| #  | Roland DJ-505 Control | Function  | Shift Function                             |
|----|-----------------------|---|--|
| 16 | PARAMETER             | Adjusts Parameter1 in performance pad modes                 | Adjust Parameter2 in performance pad modes |
| 17 | CHANNEL FADER         | Channel volume  |  |
| 18 | MASTER SECTION        | Master level / Booth level / Cue mix / TR-Sampler level     | Set Beatgrid Marker                        |
| 19 | CROSSFADER            | Crossfade audio between channel A-B                         | Clear Beatgrid                             |
| 20 | CHANNEL CUE           | Cues selected channel for headphone monitoring              | Tap Tempo (track BPM)                      |
| 21 | HPF/LPF               | Dedicated channel HP/LP filter                              |  |
| 22 | PERFORMANCE PADS      | SEE PERFORMANCE PADS FOR MORE INFORMATION                   | Toggle Pitch range down                    |
| 24 | CUE                   | Cues from temp cue point/Set Temp Cue point                 | Load previous track to deck                |
| 25 | SYNC                  | Turns SYNC on   | Turns SYNC off                             |
| 26 | SHIFT                 | Used with other controls that have SHIFT modifier functions |  |
| 27 | SLIP                  | Turn Slip on/off  | Toggle vinyl mode                          |
| 28 | FX ASSIGN             | Assign channel to FX unit 1 / 2 / TR-Sampler                |  |





| #  | Roland DJ-505 Control | #  | Roland DJ-505 Control    |
|----|-----------------------|----|--------------------------|
| 1  | KENSINGTON LOCK       | 11 | BOOTH OUT                |
| 2  | PC PORT (USB)         | 12 | POWER SWITCH             |
| 3  | MIDI OUT              | 13 | DC POWER INPUT           |
| 4  | MIC IN                | 14 | HEADPHONE OUT            |
| 5  | MIC SENSITIVITY       | 15 | HEADPHONE GAIN CONTROL   |
| 6  | CH 2 LINE/PHONO       | 16 | CROSSFADER CURVE         |
| 7  | PHONO GROUND TERMINAL | 17 | CROSSFADER REVERSE       |
| 8  | CH 1 LINE/PHONO       | 18 | CH 1 / CH 2 INPUT SWITCH |
| 9  | MASTER OUT 1 XLR      | 19 | CROSSFADER CURVE ADJUST  |
| 10 | MASTER OUT 2 RCA      |    |                          |



#### Looping

You have up to 8 loops per track in Serato DJ, and the choice between either manual or auto loops. To store the currently active or most recently created loop, click in the loop tab in the software.

| DJ-505<br>Control | Serato DJ Function   | Shift  |
|-------------------|--|--|
| AUTO LOOP         | Autoloop On/Off  | Activate selected loop                               |
| 1/2X              | Halve Loop Length  | Loop Shift Left                                      |
| 2X                | Double Loop Length   | Loop Shift Right                                     |
| IN                | Set loop in point (Loop<br>not active)/Adjust loop in<br>point (Loop active) | Saved Loop slot select                               |
| OUT               | Set loop out point (Loop in point set)/Adjust loop out point (Loop active)   | Loop Exit (Loop active)/<br>Reloop (Loop not active) |

## **DVS Expansion Pack**

The Roland DJ-505 is Serato DVS Upgrade Ready. Use turntables or CD players to control Serato DJ using NoiseMap™ Control Tone records or CDs. You can enable CD and Vinyl control through the Setup screen after the DVS Expansion upgrade is purchased and has been activated inside the software.

Note: Due to the configuration of the controller, DVS control is only available through channels 1 and 2.

For more information and to purchase the DVS Expansion, see <a href="http://serato.com/dj/dvs">http://serato.com/dj/dvs</a>

## **Serato Flip**

Flip is an Expansion Pack for Serato DJ. Flip controls are only available once the Flip expansion pack has been purchased and activated. The expansion pack can be purchased in-app through the Serato DJ Online window, or online at <a href="http://serato.com/accessories">http://serato.com/accessories</a>

In **Hot Cue** performance pad mode the Left and Right Parameter buttons are used to record and trigger Flips.

| Control                | Flip function                             | Shift                     |
|------------------------|---|---------------------------|
| Left Parameter button  | Starts the recording of a new Flip        | Turns Flip Loop on/off    |
| Right Parameter button | Starts the current Flip / re-trigger Flip | Turns current Flip On/Off |

Press **Hot Cue** mode twice to enter Flip performance pad mode. Pressing pads 1-6 in will trigger saved Flips, pressing **SHIFT** + pads 1-6 will turn saved Flips on/off. Pressing an empty Flip slot will save any active Flip to that slot.



#### **DJ-FX**

The DJ-FX in Serato DJ are powered by iZotope™.

Click the FX tab REC FX Sampler to open the FX panel. Select either 1, 2, 3,

4 or AUX to assign the selected effect bank to a deck or auxilliary output.

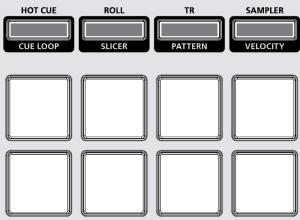
There are two available modes in the DJ-FX. Single FX Mode allows you to select one effect per FX bank, and has multiple parameters that can be adjusted. Multi FX Mode allows you to select up to three effects per FX bank, and adjust only one parameter, the FX Depth. The same effects available in Single FX mode are available in Multi FX mode, as well some additional presets.

You can select between the two FX modes by clicking either the Single FX mode button or Multi FX mode button

| Roland DJ-505<br>Control | Single FX Mode  | Multi FX Mode   | Shift                                |
|--------------------------|---|---|--------------------------------------|
| ON (Button 1)            | Effect On/Off   | Slot 1 Effect On/Off  | Slot 1 Select Effect                 |
| ON (Button 2)            | Adjust FX Parameter 2   | Slot 2 Effect On/Off  | Slot 2 Select Effect                 |
| ON (Button 3)            | Adjust FX Parameter 4   | Slot 3 Effect On/Off  | Slot 3 Select Effect                 |
| FX KNOB 1                | Adjust FX Parameter 1   | Adjust Slot 1 FX Parameter  |                                      |
| FX KNOB 2                | Adjust FX Parameter 3   | Adjust Slot 2 FX Parameter  |                                      |
| FX KNOB 3                | Adjust FX Parameter 5   | Adjust Slot 3 FX Parameter  |                                      |
| TAP                      | Tap to the desired FX tempo. To return to AUTO mode, press and hold | Tap to the desired FX tempo. To return to AUTO mode, press and hold | Toggle between Single/Multi FX Modes |
| BEATS (rotate knob)      | Adjust Beats Multiplier   | Adjust Beats Multiplier   |                                      |
| BEATS (press knob)       | Reset to 1 (beat cycle) value                                       | Reset to 1 (beat cycle) value                                       |                                      |



#### **Performance Pads**



The Roland DJ-505 RGB performance pads have 13 different modes you can select. The first four modes are (from left-to-right); Hot Cue, Roll, TR and Sampler. The second four modes are (from left-to-right); Cue Loop, Slicer, Pattern and Velocity Sampler and can be activated by pressing the performance pad mode button with SHIFT held down. A second Slicer mode (Slicer 2) can be activated by pressing the Slicer performance pad mode button twice while SHIFT is held down. The third four modes are (from left-to-right); Saved Flip, Saved Loop, TR Velocity, and Pitch Play, and can be activated by pressing the performance pad mode buttons a

Hot Cue mode: When pressing pads 1-8 you can add up to 8 Cue Points.
 Holding SHIFT and pressing buttons 1-8 will delete the Cue Points.

**Cue Loop** mode: Press pads 1-8 will play a Loop Roll from the Cue point position. Press the pad again to deactivate the Cue Loop. Press the performance pad while holding SHIFT to retrigger the Cue Loop. The dedicated loop controls also work in Cue Loop mode.

Saved Flip mode: Pressing pads 1-8 will trigger saved Flips, pressing SHIFT + pads 1-8 will turn saved Flips on/off. Pressing an empty Flip slot will save any

Flip (that is being recorded) to that slot.

 Roll mode: When holding buttons 1-8 you can activate a loop roll. Releasing the pad will disengage the loop roll.

**Slicer** mode: A shifting, specified range (or domain) is divided into eight equal sections, and these eight sliced sections are assigned to the respective performance pads.

Slicer 2 mode: Same as above, but a fixed Slicer domain or "loop". Controls are the same in both Slicer modes: Use PARAMETER-/+ to set the quantization for the slicer function. The quantization can be set in four ways: 1/8, 1/4, 1/2 and 1. Hold SHIFT + PARAMETER-/+ to set the domain. The domain can be set to one of six settings: 2 beats, 4 beats, 8 beats, 16 beats, 32 beats or 64 beats

**Saved Loop** mode: Pads 1-8 will trigger saved loops. Holding SHIFT and pressing a pad in Save Loop mode will re-trigger the Saved Loop.

 TR mode: Pressing pads 1-4 will trigger the BASS, SNARE, CLOSED HAT, and OPEN HAT sounds from the TR-S section, and 5-8 will trigger the TOM, CLAP, RIM SHOT, and RIDE CYMBAL sounds.

**Pattern** mode: Pressing pads lets you choose up to 8 sequenced patterns from the TR-S section. Patterns are retained after a power cycle of the DJ-505, and can be recorded using the INST REC function of the TR-S section.

**TR Velocity** mode: The same as TR mode above, but pads use velocity message to determine volume of TR-S sounds triggered.

Sampler mode: Pads 1-8 trigger samples loaded in your Sample Banks.
 Use PARAMETER-/+ buttons to cycle through Sample Banks. Press SHIFT + PARAMTER-/+ to cycle through Sampler output options.

**Sampler Velocity** mode: When enabled the Sampler sample slot volume will now be velocity sensitive when played using the performance pads.

Pitch Play mode: Pads 1-8 play Cue points over variable pitch ranges. See the 'Pitch Play' section for more information.

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#### **Pitch Play**

Holding **SHIFT** and pressing the **SAMPLER** performance pad mode on the DJ-505 will enable **Pitch Play** mode. In this mode you an play Cue Points over variable pitch ranges.

There are 3 key ranges to choose from. The following tables show pitched key ranges (in Semitones) while using the 8 performance pads in Pitch Play mode. To toggle beteen key ranges press the PARAMETER-/+ buttons. The root key pad (0) is always lit white, which will play the cue point at it's regular pitch. When in Pitch Play mode, pressing a pad will pitch the currently selected cue point up or down the following ranges:

**Up Range** (Up 7 Semitones)

| +4 | +5 | +6 | +7 |
|----|----|----|----|
| 0  | +1 | +2 | +3 |

Middle Range (Up 3/Down 4 Semitones

| 0  | +1 | +2 | +3 |
|----|----|----|----|
| -4 | -3 | -2 | -1 |

Down Range (Down 7 Semitones)

| -3 | -2 | -1 | 0  |
|----|----|----|----|
| -7 | -6 | -5 | -4 |

When Pitch Play mode is first enabled, the middle range is selected. If a new track is loaded, key mode will default to middle range.

PITCH PLAY can only pitch one Hot Cue point at a time. To change the selected Hot Cue, hold the SHIFT button and press a performance pad where the cue point you want to select would be (as shown in the CUES performance pad mode). While holding SHIFT, press the corosponding performance pad for:

| Hot Cue 1 | Hot Cue 2 | Hot Cue 3 | Hot Cue 4 |
|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Hot Cue 5 | Hot Cue 6 | Hot Cue 7 | Hot Cue 8 |

The selected cue point defaults to Cue Point 1 on track load, even if instant doubled. If a pad with no cue point is selected, then a new cue point will be created. Deleting a cue point however, is not possible in PITCH PLAY mode. Range is remembered if user goes to another pad mode, then back to key mode. If a new track is loaded, key mode will default to middle range.

**NOTE**: Pitch Play mode is available once the Pitch 'n Time DJ Expansion Pack has been activated in the MY SERATO window. Make sure "Enable Pitch 'n Time DJ" is checked in the Expansion Pack tab of the SETUP screen.



#### **Beat Jump**

To activate **Beat Jump**, open the **Setup** screen and under the DJ preferences tab turn on "**Show Beat Jump Controls**".



When you close the Setup screen you will see Beat Jump controls underneath the existing Auto Loop values on each deck. Checking this box will turn on Beat Jump features in the deck area and let you control Beat Jump from on your supported Serato DJ hardware.



When the Beat Jump option is enabled, controllers with 8 performance pads that have an **AUTO LOOP** or **LOOP ROLL** mode will use the bottom row of 4 pads (pads 5-8) as Beat Jump controls. This is designed to mirror the change in deck Auto Loop area (from 8 Auto Loop sizes to 4 Auto Loop sizes + Beat Jump controls).

| Performance<br>Pad Function | Pad 5       | Pad 6       | Pad 7       | Pad 8       |
|-----------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Beat Jump                   | Auto Loop/  | Auto Loop/  | Auto Loop/  | Auto Loop/  |
| disabled                    | Loop Roll 5 | Loop Roll 6 | Loop Roll 7 | Loop Roll 8 |
| Beat Jump enabled           | Beat Jump   | Beat Select | Beat Select | Beat Jump   |
|                             | Left        | Left        | Right       | Right       |

Controllers with Loop Shift controls can now perform a Beat Jump by enabling Beat Jump in the Setup screen. Regular Loop Shift is still available when Beat Jump is disabled in the Setup screen.

#### **MIDI**

The MIDI feature in Serato DJ provides the ability to remap Serato DJ software functions to your primary Serato DJ controller, interface or mixer. You can also assign controls to a secondary MIDI controller to further enhance your performance.

For more information on MIDI mapping with Serato DJ click here.

To remap your supported Serato DJ device, open the **SETUP** screen and click the **MIDI** tab. If your Serato DJ device supports hardware remapping it will show up in the **MIDI Devices** list at the top.

Select your connected device from the MIDI Devices list and make sure the "Allow Serato Hardware Remapping" option is checked.

#### Allow Serato Hardware Remapping

Once checked, the MIDI assign button at the top of the screen will become available for you to start remapping.

#### MIDI

You can save, edit or delete MIDI presets in the **MIDI** tab of the **SETUP** screen. Clicking '**Restore Defaults**' will erase any custom mappings for all connected devices and revert their functions back to default.

Download the Serato DJ software manual for further information.

**NOTE:** Official Serato Accessories do not currently support user remapping. Hardware features that cannot be remapped at this stage are Jogwheels/ Platters, Input Switches, Shift buttons and Performance Pad Mode buttons. Re-mapping any pad(s) in Hot Cue mode will also re-map the same pad in Saved Flip mode and vice versa.

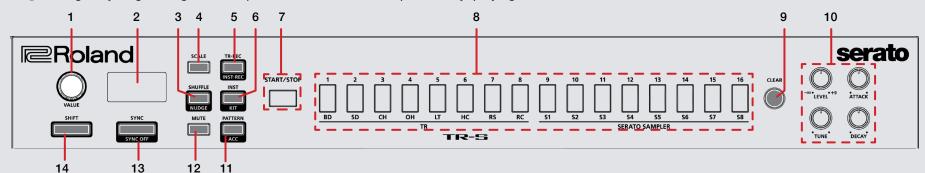


## **TR-S Rhythm Sequencer**

The TR-S built-into the DJ-505 is designed to be used with Serato DJ and can be synchronised with the virtual decks in Serato DJ. It can also be used to sequence samples from Serato DJ's built-in Sampler (S1-S8 or 9-16), and pressing SHIFT+INST, then S5-S8 or 13-16 will select Sampler Banks A-D.

Simply press any of the steps in the 16-step sequencer, causing them to light up in red, which indicates the step has been activated. The first step in the beat will be highlighted in blue, which will change depending on the pattern scale chosen.

A green light cycling through the sequence will show the step currently playing.



| # | TR-S Control   | Function  | Shift Function   |
|---|----------------|---|--|
| 1 | VALUE          | Changes the value of tempo, scale or shuffle settings         |  |
| 2 | DISPLAY        | Shows value for settings adjustments                          |  |
| 3 | SHUFFLE        | Adjuts shuffle or rhythmic swing                              | Sets the nudge setting of the pattern forward or back-<br>ward (use VALUE to adjust)             |
| 4 | SCALE          | Selects timing for step value                                 |  |
| 5 | TR-REC         | Lets you step-record a pattern                                | Lets you record a pattern using the performance pads.  SEE PERFORMANCE PADS FOR MORE INFORMATION |
| 6 | INST           | Select instrument when using TR-REC                           | Sets the kit for instruments, or Sampler bank in SDJ   |
| 7 | START/STOP     | Plays or Stops the pattern                                    | Retriggers the pattern   |
| 8 | STEP SEQUENCER | Enable steps in the sequencer, or select patterns/instruments |  |



| #  | TR-S Control                | Function   | Shift Function                               |
|----|-----------------------------|--|--|
| 9  | CLEAR                       | Deletes the content recorded by TR-REC for a specific instrument or deletes the pattern  |  |
| 10 | LEVEL/ATTACK/DECAY/<br>TUNE | Controls volume of selected instrument/Adjusts the strength of attack for selected instrument/Adjusts the length of decay for selected instrument/Adjusts the tuning or pitch of a sleected instrument |  |
| 11 | PATTERN                     | Lets you select rhythm patterns 1-16   | Adds an accent to the step when using TR-REC |
| 12 | MUTE                        | Mutes the selected instrument  |  |
| 13 | SYNC                        | Synchronises tempo of TR-S with Serato DJ  | Turn SYNC off                                |
| 14 | SHIFT                       | Used with other buttons that have SHIFT modifiers  |  |

For more detailed information on using the TR-Section, please refer to the Roland DJ-505 User manual, here.

# **Using the Tool Tips**

Click on the oicon to enable Tool Tips. This is located in between the MIDI and setup button in the top right hand corner of the screen. Tool Tips provide a handy way to learn the various features of Serato DJ.

Move the mouse over a section of the screen to bring up a context sensitive tool tip. Holding the mouse over the button with Tool Tips turned on will show you a list of all keyboard shortcuts.

For more information about how to use Serato DJ, please go to our website www.serato.com or refer to the Serato DJ Software Manual. For more information on your controller, please refer to the hardware manual.

For further help please contact support@serato.com or go to www.serato.com/dj/support

