MuseScore 3 (macOS) cheat sheet

Navigation

Fn + Left arrow	Go to beginning of the score
Fn + Right arrow	Go to end of the score
Cmd + F	Find / Go to
Ctrl + Tab	Next score
Shift + Ctrl + Tab	Previous score
Cmd + + or Cmd + Wheel up	Zoom in
Cmd + - or Cmd + Wheel down	Zoom out
Fn + Down arrow or Fn + Down arrow	Next page
Fn + Up arrow or Fn + Up arrow	Previous page
Cmd + Right arrow	Next measure
Cmd + Left arrow	Previous measure
Right arrow	Next note
Left arrow	Previous note

Note input: Duration

N	Begin note input mode
N or Esc	Leave note input mode

Note input: Duration

[1 - 9]	Select a duration
Q	Half duration of previous note
W	Double duration of previous note
Shift + Q	Decrease duration by one dot

(e.g. a dotted quarter note becomes a quarter note; a quarter note becomes a dotted eighth note)

Shift + W	Increase duration by one dot

(e.g. an eighth note becomes a dotted eighth note; a dotted eighth note becomes a quarter note)

Note input: Voices

Cmd + Option + 1	Voice 1
Cmd + Option + 2	Voice 2
Cmd + Option + 3	Voice 3
Cmd + Option + 4	Voice 4
Cmd + Option + 5	Voice 5

Note input: Pitch

Pitches can be entered by their letter name (A-G), or via MIDI keyboard.

R	Repeat previous note or chord
R	Repeat selection
Cmd + Up arrow	Raise pitch by octave
Cmd + Down arrow	Lower pitch by octave
Up arrow	Raise pitch by semi-tone (prefer sharp)
Down arrow	Lower pitch by semi-tone (prefer flat)
J	Change enharmonic spelling in both written and concert pitch views
Cmd + J	Change enharmonic spelling in current view only
0	Rest

Note input: Interval

Alt + [1 - 9]	Add interval above current note

Layout

Z	Flip direction (stem, slur, tie, tuplet bracket, etc.)
Shift + X	Mirror note head
}	Increase stretch of measure(s)
{	Decrease stretch of measure(s)
Enter	Line break on selected barline
Cmd + Enter	Page break on selected barline

Articulations

Shift + S	Staccato
Shift + N	Tenuto
Shift + V	Sforzato (accent)
Shift + O	Marcato
/	Grace note (acciaccatura)
<	Crescendo

>	Decrescendo

Text entry

Cmd + T	Staff text
Cmd + Shift + T	System text
Cmd + M	Rehersal mark

Lyrics entry

Shift + Space	Previous lyric syllable
-	Next lyric syllable (if the current and the next syllables are separated by a "-")
Space	Next lyric syllable
Left arrow	Move lyric syllable left by 0.1sp
Right arrow	Move lyric syllable right by 0.1sp
Esc	Exit lyrics mode
Option + Space	Space character
Option + - or AltGr + -	Hypen (-)
Alt + Enter or Enter	Line feed
Shift + _	Melisma

A melisma is a syllable or word that extends over two or more notes.

F2	Special Characters palette

For more lyrics shortcuts and detailed information, take a look at this page.

Display

F12	Timeline
F11	Play panel
F10	Mixer
F9	Palette
F8	Inspector
P	Piano keyboard
F6	Selection filter

Miscellaneous

V	Toggle visibility on selected element(s)
I	Show Instruments dialog

M	Toggle multi-measure rests on or off
Cmd + R	Reset element to default location

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