Apple iMovie cheat sheet

Get information

Shift + Cmd + ?	Open the iMovie Help menu

Import and export

Cmd + I	Import media
Cmd + E	Share the selection to iMovie Theater

Playing video

Space	Play video beginning from the frame beneath the playhead or skimmer
/	Play the selection
\	Play the selected event, clip, or project from the beginning
Right arrow	Move the playhead one frame forward
Left arrow	Move the playhead one frame backward
Down arrow	When playing a clip in the browser, jump forward to the next clip
Up arrow	When playing a clip in the timeline, jump to the beginning of the current clip, or jump to the previous clip if the playhead is near the beginning of the current clip
Shift + Cmd + F	Play the selected item full screen
Esc	Exit full screen view
Cmd + L	Loop playback
Control + Y	Show or hide clip information when skimming in the browser

Managing projects and events

Cmd + N	Create a new movie project
Cmd + Del	Move to Trash: Moves the selected clip, movie, trailer, or event to the Trash. If only part of a clip is selected, the entire clip is moved to the Trash
Cmd + ,	Open iMovie preferences

Selecting and editing video

Cmd + A	Select all clips. To select all clips in the timeline, first click anywhere in the timeline. To select all clips in the browser, first click anywhere in the browser
X	Select an entire clip
R + Move the mouse	(hold down R and drag) Select part of a clip
Shift + Cmd + A	Deselect all clips
E	Add the selection to the movie
Q	Connect the selection to the clip at the playhead position
W	Insert the selection in the movie at the playhead position
Shift + Cmd + E	Automatically improve the video and audio quality of the selected clip
Cmd + X	Cut the selected frames
Cmd + C	Copy the selected frames
Cmd + /	Paste the selected frames
Option + /	Trim a clip in the timeline to the selected range
Cmd + B	Divide a clip at the playhead position
Option + Shift + R	Reset speed adjustments
Option + Cmd + V	Paste all adjustments
Option + Cmd + C	Paste color correction adjustments
Option + Cmd + R	Paste crop adjustments
Option + Cmd + A	Paste volume adjustments
Option + Cmd + L	Paste the video effect
Option + Cmd + O	Paste the audio effect
Option + Cmd + S	Paste speed adjustments
Option + Cmd + U	Paste video overlay settings. Pastes adjustments, depending on which type of video is selected
Option + Cmd + M	Paste the map style
F	Rate the selection as favorite
U	Unmark selected frames

Del	Rate the selection as rejected, or delete the selection from the timeline
Cmd + \	Open or close the clip trimmer when a clip is selected
Cmd + /	Open or close the precision editor

Working with audio

V	Open voiceover controls in the viewer
Shift + S	Turn on or silence audio while skimming video
Shift + Cmd + M	Mute audio in a clip
Option + Cmd + B	Detach audio from a clip
Cmd + Z	Undo the last action
Shift + Cmd + Z	Redo the last action

Editing text

Cmd + C	Copy the selected text
Cmd + X	Cut the selected text
Cmd + V	Paste the copied text

iMovie window

Cmd + M	Minimize the iMovie window
1	Go to Library view (the default main window view)
2	Go to Projects view
3	Go to iMovie Theater
Shift + Cmd + 1	Show or hide the Libraries list
Cmd + 1	Show my media in the browser
Cmd + 2	Show audio in the browser
Cmd + 3	Show titles in the browser
Cmd + 4	Show maps and backgrounds in the browser
Cmd + 5	Show sound effects in the browser
Cmd + 6	Show transitions in the browser
Shift + Cmd + F	Play the selected item full screen

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