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HAUPTWERK™ v.3/4 SAMPLE SET
67/67XL SETS (Volumes 1, 2 and 3)

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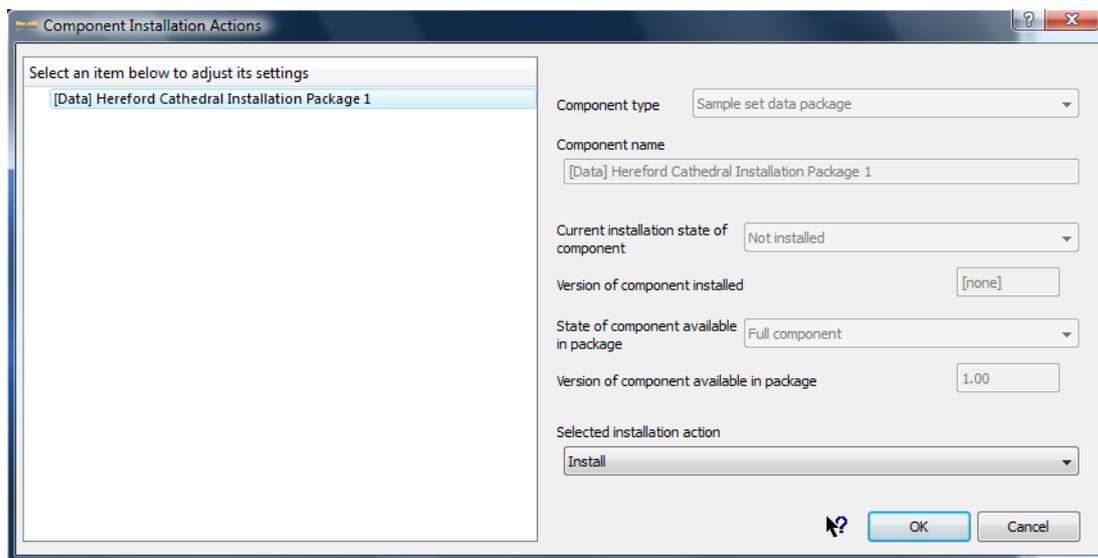
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Thank you for purchasing this sample set. Please take a little time to read this manual to familiarise yourself with the various features it offers.

NB. Hauptwerk versions 3 (version 3.23 minimum) and 4 are both supported.

1. Installation

To be able to load the Hereford 67 stop sample set, volumes 1, 2 and 3 in the Hereford Cathedral organ series need to be installed. If you haven't already, install volume 1 by using Hauptwerk's component installer to ensure proper installation and configuration of this sample set. Start Hauptwerk and (unless installing from a download) insert DVD1 into your DVD drive. In Hauptwerk, choose File | Install organ, sample set, temperament or impulse response ... and then navigate to your DVD drive or to the location you saved the downloaded installation files and find the first data installation package (it's called HerefordCathedral-DataPackage1). Once Hauptwerk has analysed the package you will be presented with the sample set licence which you will need to accept. After a while, the following screen is presented.



Ensure that the Selected installation action for the [Data] item is set to Install and then click OK. Installation should then proceed and the whole process should complete quickly.

Once you have finished with DVD1, remove it and insert DVD2 into your DVD drive. Repeat the process described above, installing HerefordCathedral-DataPackage2.

Optionally at this point, you may choose to install the Hereford 23 Stop Organ – this is an instrument that only requires the Volume 1 data components to function and the component package for this is also found on DVD2. Note that there is only one version of this file, suitable for both Hauptwerk versions 3 and 4.

Now you need to repeat this process several times to install all of the Volume 2 and 3 components, specifically:

HerefordCathedral-DataPackage3 (on DVD3, the first DVD of the volume 2 set)

HerefordCathedral-DataPackage4 (on DVD4, the second DVD of the volume 2 set)

Hereford-46-Stop-Organ (optional - also on DVD4, choosing either the Hauptwerk version 3 or version 4 component package)

HerefordCathedral-DataPackage5 (on DVD5, the first DVD of the volume 3 set)

HerefordCathedral-DataPackage6 (on DVD6, the second DVD of the volume 3 set)

Hereford-67-Stop-Organ (essential install - also on DVD6, choosing either the Hauptwerk version 3 or version 4 component package)

Finally, there is a patch in the Updates folder on DVD6 which should also be installed if it hasn't already been downloaded from the Lavender Audio website.

Assuming this is all successful, the organ is now ready to load for the first time. Further information relating to this can be found in section 3.

NB. Use of this sample set requires an update to your Hauptwerk dongle. You should have received this update by the time the DVD has arrived. If not, please contact Lavender Audio. Note also that if you have already installed the Evaluation set, you will not need to install the contents of DVD1 (ie Data Package 1).

2. Specifications and background information

The majority of great Continental European organs occupy the ideal position high on the west wall. The position is ideal not just from a sound projection basis, but also from a sampling perspective, where most (if not all) divisions of the organ are often able to be captured by microphones placed at a suitable “sweet spot”. In the UK with its great choral tradition, the church and Cathedral organ is first and foremost an instrument to accompany a choir which is usually situated to the east. This results in organs that are sometimes buried in chambers and spread out in a variety of locations, with some parts of the organ sounding more clearly than others. This is very much the situation that Hereford finds itself in and provides something of a dilemma for the sampling engineer. Microphones placed to the west of the organ in the nave would probably result in the best balance and blend and this tends to be the favoured position for CD recordings. However, this balance is at the expense of the detail of faster playing as the generous acoustic of the Cathedral rather takes over, leading to a loss of definition. There's also the issue of some divisions sounding very distant. Therefore, the decision was taken to use a multi-mic recording setup in the Quire and organ console area, which results in a sound that is close to that experienced by the organist in his/her elevated position directly opposite the pipes.

Multiple releases were recorded, which add greatly to the realism of the sample set. All pipes have a release recorded for both staccato and sustained notes and the vast majority of pipes have a third set of releases for notes held for a duration between staccato and sustained (portato - typically 200 to 500 mS, depending on pitch). Incidentally, multiple releases are handled automatically by Hauptwerk and no special hardware or configuration is necessary. Each sample was sustained for an average of 6 seconds and each has been programmed to have either 3 or 4 loops. Having more than one loop imparts some life to the sound and makes long sustained notes sound more realistic.

Separate tremulant samples are provided for the Viola da Gamba, Clarinet, Cor Anglais and Orchestral Oboe, which are all stops on the Solo. These provide for greater realism than is possible by using Hauptwerk's tremulant model, albeit with a lack of synchronisation between the samples. In practice, this is not as noticeable as might be anticipated and the extra “tremmed” long releases more than make up for this compromise. When switching the tremulant on or off, the “tremmed” and “non-tremmed” samples are cross-faded, to give a more realistic feel of the tremulant starting and stopping. This avoids the somewhat unnatural sound of the sample attack being re-triggered as the tremulant is switched on or off whilst the note is being held.

For other Solo and low pressure Swell stops, a range of tremulant samples were taken and these were processed using a special tool kindly provided by the creators of Hauptwerk. The Hauptwerk tremulant model has been carefully programmed to provide for maximum realism within the constraints of the model. Likewise a large number of Solo and Swell samples were analysed for the level and harmonic differences between the swell box being open and shut and the results of this used to programme accurately Hauptwerk's swell models. Both the tremulant and swell parameters can be further adjusted by using the voicing tools (Advanced edition only).

The Swell Vox Angelica is an undulating stop which beats with the Salicional. When the Vox Angelica drawstop is drawn, the Salicional rank automatically sounds as well, meaning that this stop does not also need to be drawn to obtain the celeste effect. This behaviour is exactly as is found on the real instrument and means that it was not possible to sample just the detuned rank on its own - the Vox Angelica samples inevitably include those of the Salicional in addition. Therefore, a mechanism has been provided within the organ definition which automatically silences the Salicional samples when the Vox Angelica is drawn. To achieve this, cross-fading has again been used which gives a more realistic effect than simply switching samples (which could result in inappropriate attack transients being heard when holding chords and changing registration). Even so, the effect is not perfect and sounds best when stop action delay is enabled. The Solo Viola da Gamba/Voix Celeste situation is similar, although programming complexities mean that currently samples are switched rather than cross-faded.

The organ is tuned to equal temperament at approximately A=440 Hz. At the time of sampling, the organ was well tuned, so all of the samples have been left at their recorded pitch with only the most out of tune being re-pitched from within the organ definition file. As a result, the normal tuning errors that are found in even the best regulated organs are present here and therefore contribute to the overall realism of the organ. However, it may be considered necessary to use the organ at either a different pitch or with a different temperament. This is possible and the organ definition file has been carefully programmed to produce appropriate randomised tuning errors

when not using the original organ tuning (the strength of these tuning errors can be adjusted within Hauptwerk or even disabled completely). The most realistic sound, though, will be when the original organ tuning is selected. Note that adjusting the random tuning errors has no effect in original organ tuning mode.

3. System requirements and loading the organ for the first time

With 67 stops and 4 separate tremulants speaking into a fairly large acoustic, computer processor and memory requirements are moderately demanding, even by today's computing standards (August 2012). An absolute minimum of Hauptwerk Advanced Edition running on a 64 bit operating system, 8GB RAM and a good dual core processor is suggested, with a preference for at least 12 GB RAM and a quad core processor. Bear in mind that only 2/3 system memory is accessible on Mac OSX, whereas Windows 7 typically allows all free memory to be used (for a rough rule of thumb for the amount of free memory with Hauptwerk running but with no organ loaded, subtract 1.5 GB from the total installed memory if your Windows installation is relatively clean). The sample set was developed on a PC consisting of an Intel Core 2 Quad Q6600 processor with 16 GB of system memory running Windows 7 64 bit and this platform has proven more than adequate to run this organ with all realism features enabled.

The following table gives very approximate figures for the amount of RAM (memory) the organ requires with various different loading options set. None of these figures take into account the RAM needed by the operating system or Hauptwerk itself. Where no figure is given, that particular loading option (although valid) hasn't been tested, generally because it wouldn't make sense to use it. Of course, not all ranks need to have the same settings.

| | 24 bit | 20 bit | 16 bit | 14 bit |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Uncompressed | 23130 MB | ● | 11735 MB | ● |
| Lossless compression | 14200 MB | 12150 MB | 7510 MB | ● |
| Single loops and compression | ● | 10495 MB | 6370 MB | 5590 MB |
| Single loops, releases and compression | ● | ● | ● | 3385 MB |

To achieve best results, the organ should be loaded at 24 bits resolution, no memory compression and with all realism features enabled. If your system doesn't have sufficient memory to allow this, then it is recommended to try the following in order until the set loads reliably (it is wise to allow for a small amount of unused memory to keep the operating system happy !)

- ◆ Use lossless memory compression (audio quality is unaffected although polyphony is reduced by approximately 15%)
- ◆ Load some or all samples at 20 bit resolution
- ◆ Load some or all samples at 16 bit resolution.
- ◆ Only load a single loop on some or all samples.
- ◆ Load some or all samples at 14 bit resolution
- ◆ Only load single releases for some or all samples

It is possible to go a fair way down this list with little obvious loss of realism or quality – however the last two options should both be avoided if at all possible. You can also reduce the load on your computer's processor by disabling the wind model (not appropriate in the US), disabling real time harmonic shaping and disabling interpolation, all of which will affect the realism of the organ.

The first time the organ is loaded the sample cache is built. This takes a considerable time – maybe 10 minutes or more. However, subsequent loads are much quicker.

Once the organ is loaded, you can use Hauptwerk to connect the keyboards, stops, pistons and swell pedals of your MIDI setup as necessary. Before doing so, it may be worth reading the following section which contains useful information on the various playing aids incorporated in this organ as well as offering suggestions on how best to connect more modestly equipped consoles.

4. Hereford Cathedral Sample Set Screens

With the advent of Hauptwerk version 4 and its ability to resize organ display screens, the display elements of the Hereford organ definition file are built around a standard monitor resolution of 1280 x 1024 pixels. For those still using HW v3, this display resolution is therefore a minimum system requirement. Assuming the use of HW v4 and a 1280 x 1024 monitor, best results will be obtained by choosing not to zoom the display and operating in full screen mode where everything fits nicely. However, graphics quality with Hauptwerk zooming enabled is still very high, so other screen resolutions or window sizings will still give excellent results.

Console Screen



This view offers the most realistic view of the organ, with stops, keys, couplers, combination pistons and swell pedals all responding to the mouse as well, of course, to MIDI input signals. Much of what is displayed on this screen will be self-explanatory, but the basic description which follows may prove to be useful.

The order of the manuals, from top to bottom, is Solo, Swell, Great and Choir. Each manual has eight combination pistons which are located immediately below on the keyslip. The row of pistons above the Solo manual are general combinations, which act on every stop and coupler on the organ. For the divisionals, any piston labeled with a 0 will cancel all stops on that division – as might be expected, General 0 is effectively a general cancel. The pedal organ also has a total of eight combination toe pistons, which are located to the right of the swell pedals. The effect of the Great and Pedal pistons may be combined by drawing the “Gt & Ped Combs Coupled” coupler, whereby pressing a Great divisional piston will cause the corresponding Pedal combination to act as well (and vice versa when pressing a pedal toe piston). The row of toe pistons to the left of the swell pedals are, by default, a duplication of the swell divisionals; however, the “Gens. On Sw. Toe Pistons” transfer, when enabled, will change their use to being a duplication of the General pistons. This is of limited use when controlling the organ purely via touchscreen, but potentially very handy for those with fully equipped consoles. Finally all pistons may be set by clicking on the latching button labeled “L” and then pressing the desired piston once the desired combination of stops and/or couplers have been drawn. Don’t forget to press “L” again to disable capture, once piston setting is complete.

The extensive selection of couplers should be largely self-explanatory. Willis was not entirely consistent with couplers “coupling through” for example, drawing Solo to Great and Great to Pedal will result in the Solo being heard on the Pedal. However, if Solo to Swell and Swell to Great are drawn, the Solo is *not* heard on the Great. An exception to this latter rule is Great to Solo, where all manuals coupled to the Great at all pitches will also sound on the Solo. Experimentation with the couplers is probably the best way to further understanding !

The “Doubles Off” control mutes the manual and pedal doubles (ie manual 16s and pedal 32s). It also mutes any Solo 16s (see below for details of this) as well as disabling the action of any suboctave coupler. Note that when activating Doubles Off, the affected stops and couplers do not visibly change state.

The Solo organ 16 foot controls need a little explanation. The Clarinet, Orchestral Oboe (on low pressure) and Tromba (high pressure) have an extra octave of pipes at 16 foot pitch. These are accessed by pressing the associated control labeled “16”. In the case of the Tromba, this effectively turns the rank into a 16 foot stop. Whilst the same is true for the Orchestral Oboe when its 16 foot control is activated, all of the other low wind pressure stops (Viola da Gamba, Harmonic Flute, Cor Anglais etc) are also dropped in pitch by an octave. As these other stops don't have any extra pipes, the bottom octave will have no sound with the low pressure 16 foot control activated.



Stops + Pistons Screen

This screen is probably of most use to those who will be controlling the Hereford organ with a single screen. The appearance and functionality of the stops and couplers is identical to that of the previous screen – however, there is a third row of couplers which are provided as playing aids for those who have more modest console setups.

Basscouplers offer a way of playing the pedal organ from the manuals. This can be useful in various circumstances, not least if your virtual organ lacks a pedalboard ! The basscoupler is intelligent in that only the lowest manual note sounds on the pedal, meaning that only one note is played at a time, giving a far more musical result than a simple “Pedal to Manual” coupler.

For those with consoles having less than four manuals, Hauptwerk offers a very powerful way of accessing all four divisions of the Hereford organ by using “Floating Keyboards” (in HW v3 these were called “Re-directible Keyboards”). Once set up, one or more physical keyboards can easily be routed to any of the Hereford divisions, either by using a MIDI organ control, keyboard shortcut or an on screen piston control (HW v4 only). This functionality is native to Hauptwerk, so the HW user guide should be consulted for further details. In contrast, however, Hauptwerk doesn't provide any easy way of flexibly sharing a single expression pedal. As this organ has two enclosed divisions, ideally two physical expression pedals would be used for maximum control. For those whose consoles have just one expression pedal, the concept of a floating swell pedal has been introduced. An additional (non-visible) expression pedal called “Floating Swell Pedal” has been provided for mapping to a single console expression pedal – this can then be routed to the Swell and/or the Solo by using the appropriate tab control. Note that at the point at which the console expression pedal is routed to either Swell or Solo, the pedal being controlled will abruptly move to the position of the console MIDI pedal. An indicator showing the status of each virtual expression pedal has been provided to help avoid any excessive discrepancies. For those with two expression pedals, it is still possible to map directly to the Swell and Solo pedals separately in the usual way.

NB As the floating pedal is not displayed, it will be necessary to choose “Expression/crescendo pedals and sliders/knobs...” from the “Organ settings” menu, highlight the FLOATING EXPRESSION PEDAL entry and then proceed to auto-detect the hardware expression pedal in the usual way.

On this screen, there is space to include the full complement of pistons and reversibles. In addition to those described previously, there are two settable pistons that control just the couplers, as well as an all coupler cancel and a piston to cancel all octave and unison off couplers. Reversible pistons act on just one coupler, with each press of the piston toggling the position of the associated coupler. Again, these are of most use when mapped to a physical console MIDI control.

LH and RH Jambs

These screens display the stops over two pages and are useful if you have a multi-monitor setup. The layout of the stops doesn't exactly conform to the real instrument, but is approximately correct, albeit with the couplers split across both screens and ordered to be closest to the divisions over which they have effect. These two pages support intelligent re-sizing (HW v4 only), which allows screens rotated to a portrait position to be used more effectively. The stops and couplers in each screen are all linked, so that if you operate a particular stop in (for example) the Console screen, its counterpart in the Stops + Pistons and appropriate Jamb screen will also change.

Settings Screen



This screen allows configuration of some of the specific features that contribute to the overall realism of the organ. The blower noise, tremulant noise and swell shade noise can all be switched on or off and the relative volume of each can be adjusted. In addition, the noise of the stop action can be set for each division individually, as can the key action noise for Great, Swell and Choir (the key action noise for the Solo and Pedal was found to be virtually inaudible on the original instrument, hence that option is not available here). Note that for some samples, especially on

the Swell and Great, the note action on the Hereford organ is relatively noisy and it wasn't possible to totally remove this sound without adversely compromising the quality of the samples. Therefore, even with the key action noise disabled, some residual action noise may be noticed.

For many large instruments with detached consoles there is a small but noticeable delay in the operation of the stop action. This is particularly evident when using combination pistons where organists are used to having to anticipate such a delay, meaning that having a stop sound as soon as the piston has been pressed will feel unnatural. With the Stop Action Delay enabled, a small delay between the stop being pulled (either via your console's stop control mechanism or via the combination pistons) and the rank starting to sound will be noticed. Note that the stop action noise still sounds straight away, with the rank sounding approximately at the point at which the action noise starts to decay. Again, this stop action delay facility can be enabled or disabled on a per division basis.

For all volume adjustments, an operating range of +/- 12dB is provided.

Crescendo Screen



This sample set features a fully programmable 30 stage crescendo function. Any continuous controller may be mapped to this function, which successively activates preset combinations of stops as the controller value increases. Typically, an expression or volume pedal would be used for this - when the pedal is fully closed, there is no effect, with successive stages being triggered as the pedal is opened. Conventionally, stop combinations of increasing volume are programmed, such that the final stage introduces more or less full organ. However, using this screen, stop combinations may be programmed as

desired by switching on or off individual stops and couplers for each of the 30 stages. Note that the crescendo function is additive; that is, any existing combination of stops will be added to as the pedal is opened and - once the pedal is closed - any stops that had previously been drawn will still sound. Note also that there is no physical movement of the drawstops as the crescendo pedal is moved - the registration changes take place invisibly.

Any change to the selection of stops activated by the crescendo function is treated by Hauptwerk as a change in the organ's combination settings and you must save the combination set (via the Registration menu) when you exit Hauptwerk or switch to a different organ. If you choose not to do this, any alterations made on this screen will not be remembered the next time the Hereford sample set is loaded.

5. In Use – some suggestions and considerations

In some ways, the organ of Hereford Cathedral can be regarded as being a transition instrument, anticipating to some degree the sounds of the early 20th century work of Arthur Harrison, amongst others.

The reeds in particular have a rounder and smoother tone in comparison to Willis's earlier work and the scale of the mixtures is somewhat smaller. However, the trademark Willis sounds of the bright, ringing choruses remain, along with the liquid Lieblich's, keen solo strings and high quality solo reeds. Judicious additions along the way have greatly increased the versatility of the instrument and it is now a highly regarded example of Father Willis's work.

As mentioned earlier, the various divisions of the organ are rather diversely located around the east end of the Cathedral. The Choir is the most direct, speaking out directly into the Quire at low level and being the division closest to the sampling microphones. The Great and Pedal are a little more distant, but still offer a reasonably direct sound. The Swell is in a far more buried position, being situated high up behind the Great. The Solo is also more distant and at high level, with its shutters facing east in the south aisle. These differing locations of the pipes are evident in the sound of the sample set and need to be considered to get the best out of the instrument. For example, the Swell flue-work is more gentle than might be expected

and, although the Swell high pressure reeds do help re-dress the balance, coupling the Swell to the Choir and using that as the secondary manual may be beneficial for some pieces. Indeed, the directness of the Choir blended with the relative distance of the Swell is very effective. The Choir can be very useful too as part of the build up on the Great – on many English instruments the Choir is too quiet to have much impact on the Great, but at Hereford this is not the case and the Choir can be considered almost as a secondary Great. Choir to Mixture coupled to the Swell flues balances an uncoupled Great to Mixture IV reasonably effectively, offering good possibilities for the music of J.S.Bach.

The low pressure Solo reeds are quite delicate and are probably best accompanied on the Swell or Choir Dulciana ... the Clarinet, Cor Anglais and Orchestral Oboe can usefully be strengthened by using them with the Harmonic Flute if desired. Other solo options include various combinations on the Choir - the cornet *separée* works with either the Lieblich Gedacht or the Claribel Flute and just drawing 8 and 4 foot flutes with the Tierce gives a very pleasant solo register. Even the slightly stringy Choir Open Diapason on its own will work nicely in a Bach Chorale Prelude. English romantic music sometimes calls for a large 8 foot flue solo - here, the first Open diapason fits the bill nicely with its full, almost mournful sound. Of course, the Tuba is also a staple of the English romantic era and the Hereford example occupies a prominent position above the Great, giving it a commanding presence in the soundscape. For ceremonial brass occasions, the Solo Tuba and Tromba can be combined, especially effective with the latter at 16 foot pitch. Add the octave coupler for extra spice and then couple Great to Solo for the final chords. Try also coupling together all high pressure chorus reeds (with or without the Tuba) for a feast of brass !

Being imaginative with the couplers can pay dividends. Try coupling the Orchestral Oboe at 16 foot pitch to either the manuals or pedals – very effective for *mp* or even *mf* combinations. Full Swell with the octave coupler cuts through more noticeably when used with full Great and the octave couplers to the Pedals are useful when a telling *ff* pedal line is needed. The Swell Vox Angelica with either octave or suboctave couplers (or even both) is very pleasant ... indeed, the Swell probably lends itself to the use of these couplers more than any other division. The organ has a good selection of open and stopped flutes and it is worth trying these in various combinations across all four manuals, again using the octave couplers as you see fit. Aside from the 32'/16' unified Open Bass rank and the unified 32' Bombarde/16' Ophicleide, all stops on the Pedal are independent of each other. The 32' flue provides an authentic English rumble to live underneath the strings at the end of a piece of Howells. Listen carefully and you will hear the woodwork rattling on some notes ! In contrast the Pedal Open has a good degree of “point” about it and is useful to underpin polyphonic music. The Bombarde/Ophicleide adds significantly to full organ and no English Cathedral organ is complete without a 32 foot pedal reed - at Hereford the Bombarde completes full organ in mighty fashion.

Above all, this organ positively encourages exploration. Press piston 1 on Great, Swell, Choir and Pedal, choose a solo reed, draw a few couplers and start improvising ...

6. Hereford 67 stop XL version 2 sample set (requires Hauptwerk version 4)

Please note that this set has a separate Hauptwerk identification number to the standard 67 stop set and will therefore sit alongside it quite happily. This does mean though that organ specific settings are not shared between the two sets, so organ control and voicings etc will need to be programmed from scratch. The 67 stop XLv2 sample set makes the following additions and alterations to the standard 67 stop set:

1. Extended manual and pedal compasses

The pedals are extended to 32 notes (ie to middle G) and all four manuals extended to 61 notes (ie to high C)

2. Separate drawstops for the Solo 16'/8' stops

This affects the Clarinet, Orchestral Oboe and Tromba. Each rank now has two drawstops, one acting at 16 foot pitch and the other at 8 foot pitch. The high and low pressure 16 foot controls have been removed.

3. Great reeds on Choir transfer

When this transfer is drawn, the Great reeds (ie Double Trumpet, Trumpet and Clarion) are playable from the Choir organ instead of being available on the Great, thus increasing the solo reed options on the instrument. These reeds will couple to the Pedals when Choir to Pedal or Choir octave to Pedal is drawn (useful for a telling *ff* pedal line), but the Choir sub and superoctave couplers will have no effect. When the Great reeds are transferred to the Choir, the Great divisional pistons will not affect the Great reed drawstops. The Choir divisional pistons have no effect on either the transfer or the Great reed stops themselves - the only exception is that the Choir divisional cancel piston will cancel the Great Reeds transfer if it is drawn. It is not possible to couple the Great reeds back to the Great when the transfer is active. Finally, as would be expected, the general pistons have full control over the Great reeds on Choir transfer.

4. Choir Lieblich Bourdon 16'

This stop has been re-instated, having originally been part of the Hereford scheme until the 1970's. This stop has also been made available on the Pedal organ, providing a softer alternative to the Pedal Bourdon.

5. Great suboctave coupler

Again, a coupler which apparently had previously been found on the Hereford organ, this may be of use when playing high lying French romantic music.

6. Enclosed choir organ

Adding flexibility, this new enclosure gives a similar degree of attenuation to that given by the Swell organ enclosure. An extra "floating swell pedal" control has been added, allowing a single MIDI expression pedal (or other continuous controller) to control any combination of the instrument's three enclosures.

7. Choir Cornet Preset

The Choir organ contains the constituents of a Cornet (8, 4, 2 2/3, 2 and 1 3/5) - indeed, there are various permutations of 8 and 4 foot stops that may be employed. The Cornet preset provides a convenient way of drawing a pre-selected combination of stops to form a Cornet. The exact combination of stops may be selected on page 6 (the Crescendo page) - this preset functions independently of both the Crescendo function and the organ combination system (ie there are no multiple combination memories for the Cornet). Note that the Cornet functions "blind" in a similar fashion to the Crescendo - no stops are physically drawn.

8. Chimes

New chimes samples have been provided to both Solo and Choir organs. The Solo samples feature chimes played with a metallic beater whereas the Choir samples have been played with a softer composite plastic hammer. The Choir Chimes are enclosed but the Solo Chimes have been left unenclosed. The compass of both is tenor G (MIDI note 55) to treble A (MIDI note 81).

9. Piston setter button

The piston setter button (labelled 'L') now benefits from increased contrast between active and inactive modes.

10. Floating swell pedal improvements

The floating swell pedal may also be assigned to control the Crescendo pedal as well as the other expression pedals. In addition, the state of the floating swell pedal tabs may optionally be remembered and recalled in the general combinations. This is enabled via the appropriate switch on the Settings screen.

11. Divisional faders

The Settings screen has been re-worked to include the ability to vary the balance between the various divisions (ie Great, Swell, Choir etc). Individual faders have been provided to allow a +/- 6dB level adjustment, which equates roughly to a doubling or halving of volume. Hauptwerk's voicing tools (Advanced Edition only) may still be used to provide control over individual ranks.

12. Enclosure pedal response

Typically, as a swell box is opened, the greatest change of volume and tone occurs at the very start of the pedal's travel, with this rate of change decreasing the more the box is opened. The "Swell Pedal Alternate Response" option attempts to model this effect for all three enclosures. Additionally, it is now possible to disable the built-in inertia of the swell pedal by turning on the "Disable Swell Pedals Delay". With this enabled, movement of the swell pedal results in an instantaneous change in the volume and tone of the controlled stops. Note that both of these functions are global across Swell, Choir and Solo enclosures.

13. Solo Tuba enclosed

There now exists an option on the Settings screen to enclose the Tuba within the Solo enclosure.

14. Divisional coupling to Pedals

In common with other large Willis organs, the "through-coupling" of manuals to pedals is a little unusual. For example, with Swell to Great and Great to Pedal drawn, the Swell organ is heard when the pedals are played. The "Disable Willis Pedal Coupling" option allows this through-coupling to be switched off.

15. Driving external stops or other MIDI sound sources

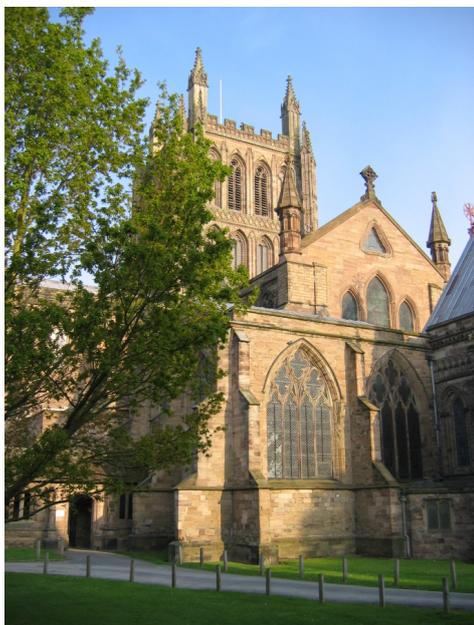
Each division has gained four external virtual stop switches which have been provided to drive MIDI systems external to Hauptwerk. Although these stops are primarily designed for use by those using consoles with other means of controlling stops (eg drawstop switches, tabs etc), they are displayed in simple fashion on the Settings screen to help with configuration. The switches both generate and respond to MIDI messages and are fully integrated into the Hereford native combination system. Both methods of driving external pipework or external MIDI voice expanders are supported (ie MIDI output at rank or division level) - please refer to the Hauptwerk user guide for details of configuration.

Memory requirements for the XL set are as follows:

| | 24 bit | 20 bit | 16 bit | 14 bit |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Uncompressed | 24500 MB | ● | 12405 MB | ● |
| Lossless compression | 15050 MB | 12850 MB | 7950 MB | ● |
| Single loops and compression | ● | 11080 MB | 6735 MB | 5900 MB |
| Single loops, releases and compression | ● | ● | ● | 3580 MB |

Installation of the 67 stop XL sample set is straightforward. Ensure that all of the steps detailed in the Installation section have been completed, such that the standard Hereford 67 stop instrument will load.

Next, install HerefordCathedral-DataPackage67XL and also Hereford-67XL-Stop-Organ. These files are found in a folder called Hereford-XLv2 on DVD6 for orders shipped from August 2016 onwards and are also freely available to download via the Lavender Audio website Support section. If necessary, a separate DVD containing these files may be ordered for a nominal charge.



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HEREFORD 67 STOP SAMPLE SET -- SPECIFICATION

| Great - 58 (61) notes | |
|------------------------------|-------|
| Double Open Diapason | 16 |
| Bourdon | 16 |
| Open Diapason No. 1 | 8 |
| Open Diapason No. 2 | 8 |
| Open Diapason No. 3 | 8 |
| Claribel Flute | 8 |
| Stopped Diapason | 8 |
| Principal No. 1 | 4 |
| Principal No. 2 | 4 |
| Flute | 4 |
| Twelfth | 2 2/3 |
| Fifteenth | 2 |
| Mixture 17.19.22 | III |
| Mixture 19.22.26.29 | IV |
| Double Trumpet | 16 |
| Trumpet | 8 |
| Clarion | 4 |

Great suboctave

Swell to Great

Swell octave to Great

Swell suboct to Great

Choir to Great

Choir octave to Great

Choir suboct to Great

Solo to Great

Solo octave to Great

Solo suboct to Great

| Pedal - 30 (32) notes | |
|---------------------------------|-----------|
| Double Open Bass | 32 |
| Open Bass | 16 |
| Open Diapason | 16 |
| Bourdon | 16 |
| Lieblich Bourdon (Choir) | 16 |
| Principal | 8 |
| Stopped Flute | 8 |
| Fifteenth | 4 |
| Open Flute | 4 |
| Mixture 19.22.26.29 | IV |
| Bombarde | 32 |
| Ophicleide | 16 |
| Trombone | 16 |
| Trumpet | 8 |
| Clarion | 4 |

Great to Pedal

Swell to Pedal

Choir to Pedal

Solo to Pedal

Swell octave to Pedal

Choir octave to Pedal

Solo octave to Pedal

Great & Pedal combs coupled

Rank unification

The Pedal Double Open Bass 32' and Open Bass 16' stops are a single unified rank, which means they share 18 pipes upwards from 16' C. Thus, in the Hauptwerk voicing tools, only the bottom octave of the Double Open Bass is accessible. The same is true for the Bombarde 32'/ Ophicleide 16' which also take the form of a single rank.

Swell - 58 (61) notes (enclosed)

| | |
|------------------|-----|
| Contra Gamba | 16 |
| Open Diapason | 8 |
| Stopped Diapason | 8 |
| Salicional | 8 |
| Vox Angelica | 8 |
| Principal | 4 |
| Lieblich Flute | 4 |
| Fifteenth | 2 |
| Mixture 17.19.22 | III |
| Dulzian | 16 |
| Oboe | 8 |

Tremulant

| | |
|----------------|----|
| Double Trumpet | 16 |
| Trumpet | 8 |
| Clarion | 4 |

Swell octave

Swell suboctave

Swell unison off

Solo to Swell

Choir - 58 (61) notes (enclosed)

| | |
|-------------------------|-----------|
| Lieblich Bourdon | 16 |
| Open Diapason | 8 |
| Claribel Flute | 8 |
| Lieblich Gedacht | 8 |
| Dulciana | 8 |
| Gemshorn | 4 |
| Lieblich Flute | 4 |
| Nazard | 2 2/3 |
| Spitzflute | 2 |
| Tierce | 1 3/5 |
| Mixture 15.19.22 | III |
| Trumpet | 8 |

Chimes piano

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Choir octave

Choir suboctave

Choir unison off

Swell to Choir

Swell octave to Choir

Swell suboct to Choir

Solo to Choir

Solo octave to Choir

Solo suboct to Choir

Great reeds on Choir

Choir Cornet preset

Solo - 58 (61) notes (enclosed)

| | |
|------------------|------|
| Viola da Gamba | 8 |
| Voix Celestes | 8 |
| Harmonic Flute | 8 |
| Concert Flute | 4 |
| Hohl Flute | 2 |
| *Clarinet | 8/16 |
| *Orchestral Oboe | 8/16 |
| Cor Anglais | 8 |

Tremulant

| | |
|----------------------------------|----------|
| *Tromba | 8/16 |
| Glockenspiel | 4 |
| Tuba (unenclosed) | 8 |
| Chimes forte (unenclosed) | 4 |

Solo octave

Solo suboctave

Solo unison off

Solo low pressure 16

Solo high pressure 16

Great to Solo

Hereford 67 Stop XL sample set additions are shown in red
 * Solo 16 / 8 stops available separately in XL version