

# Plan2Live Manual

Install Plan2Live, get past macOS security prompts, and use the app to turn your Planning Center setlist into a ready-to-open Ableton Live set.

## Install

1. Download the latest Plan2Live DMG from the homepage.
2. Open the downloaded .dmg.
3. Drag Plan2Live.app into Applications.
4. Eject the DMG.

## If macOS blocks it

- Right-click Plan2Live and choose Open.
- Or go to System Settings > Privacy & Security and click Open Anyway.

## How to use Plan2Live

Plan2Live helps you turn your Planning Center setlist into a ready-to-open Ableton Live set.

## What you need

- macOS 26+
- Ableton Live 12 installed
- Planning Center account access

## Typical workflow

1. Open Plan2Live.
2. Connect Planning Center in the app.
3. Select the plan or setlist you want to build.
4. Confirm the song order before generating.
5. Click Generate.
6. Open the generated Ableton set.
7. Do a quick verification pass: check markers or locators, BPM, and routing before rehearsal or playback.

## Locked default template

Plan2Live currently generates each set using the built-in default template for consistency. You do not need to bring your own template in this version.

## Before you generate

- Make sure the plan order is correct.
- Fill in BPM values where possible so the generated set is easier to verify.

## Stem folder labeling

### Recommended rules

- Use one folder per song.
- Recommended: make the folder name match the song title in Planning Center exactly.
- If your titles include numbers, keep them consistent from week to week.

### Good folder name examples

- 01 - Firm Foundation
- Firm Foundation
- Firm Foundation (Key of G)
- King of Kings

### Recommended stem file names inside each song folder

- Kick, Snare, OH
- Bass
- GTR1, GTR2
- Keys, Pads
- Lead Vox, BGV
- Click, Guide

### Common mistakes

- Spelling differences compared with the song title in Planning Center.
- Extra spaces or special characters that change the folder name.
- Inconsistent numbering from one week to the next.
- Putting all songs together in one folder instead of one folder per song.

### Best practice

Keep your naming consistent across weeks and use the same punctuation and case each time.

## After generation

1. Open the set in Ableton Live.

2. Save and collect all files if you plan to move the set to another machine.
1. Run a quick soundcheck before using it live.

## **Troubleshooting**

- If the set is wrong, fix the plan in Planning Center and generate again.
- If routing looks wrong, make sure you are using the built-in default template in this version and not an older custom workflow.
- If macOS will not open the app, follow the steps on the Install Guide page.

## **Support**

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