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Digital



VARIO duet digital system

Silent system for upright and grand piano

Silent and undisturbed playing at any time

Premium Mute Rail for pianos and grand pianos

The VARIO duet expands your acoustic instrument with a superior mute system offering no compromises in performance and sound.

Switch to „silent mode“ and enjoy the VARIO duet's playback via headphones - and listen to your music without disturbing others. The VARIO's Premium Mute Rail ensures that the hammers are precisely stopped just before they hit the strings and so the acoustic instrument no longer reproduces any sound via the strings and the soundboard.

This ensures that the familiar touch and tone of your piano remains preserved, and you still have perfect control over the dynamic response of your instrument with every single keystroke.

Whether you play alone or as a duet: listen to your piano with exactly the sound you expect from an instrument of the C. Bechstein family.

And because the C. Bechstein VARIO duet also combines your acoustic instrument with many features associated with premium digital pianos, you also get variations of other popular keyboard instruments such as harpsichord, electric piano and more.

The VARIO product family

Side by side with your acoustic instrument

The VARIO digital system is a comprehensively developed family of products that appreciates the musical and tonal expression of your acoustic instrument.

On this basis you can easily add numerous digital applications to your piano.

The products

- VARIO connect
- VARIO connect+,
- individually handcrafted Premium Mute Rails for pianos and grand pianos,
- and dedicated VARIO headphones for the system

are available separately.

The VARIO duet, as a premium product with its own sound module, builds upon this and contains all separate components in one package.

Any piano or grand piano with C. Bechstein VARIO offers you the best of both worlds: digital possibilities and the joy of playing the piano at any time.



The VARIO duet package includes

- **Elegant VARIO sound module** with control unit (black or white) including volume control, two headphone jacks, hanging bracket for headphones and a modern USB-C port with charging function for mobile devices.
- **C. Bechstein Premium Mute Rail** (inside the instrument) for silencing, with Bowden cable.
- **One set of C. Bechstein VARIO headphones** (black or white) including cable and adapter, specially developed for an optimal audio experience on the VARIO duet.
- **Display stands** for placing a tablet or smartphone on the music stand.
- **Power supply unit** and mains connection cable to be connected at the back of the instrument.
- **Printed user manual**,
English language available



The VARIO App

The VARIO Apps for **Android** and **iOS/iPadOS** is available **free** of charge from the Apple AppStore or via Google Play.

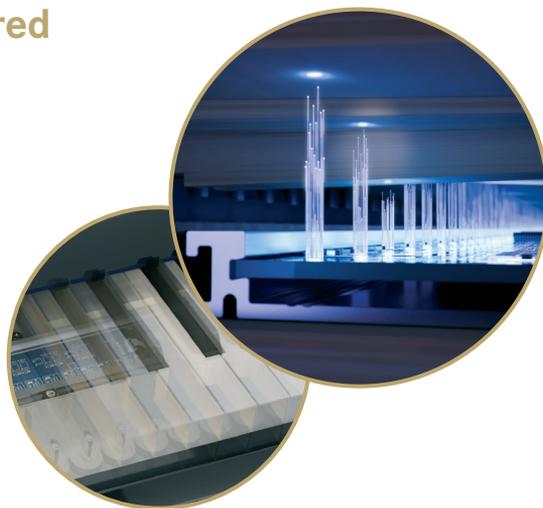


The finest nuances, digitally captured

An optical system positioned under the keys and on the pedals captures even the finest nuances of your playing.

The completely non-contact motion detection with an accuracy in the range of a few micrometers does not influence your performance in any way.

The VARIO hardware and software are perfectly matched in every detail and the components can be controlled as well as updated easily via app.



Premium Mute Rail for pianos & grand pianos

The hand-made Premium Mute Rail of the C. Bechstein VARIO duet ensures that the hammers are precisely stopped just before the strings. In this way, the acoustic instrument will no longer reproduce any sound over the strings and the soundboard.



The natural touch of your upright or grand piano, as well as the perfectly controllable playability of the keys is what makes our mechanical solutions unique.

For grand pianos, a customized Mute Rail with so-called Double Release is used, which is individually manufactured for each instrument of the C. Bechstein brands.

The Premium Mute Rail for uprights is also compatible with almost all modern instruments, including those from other manufacturers.

Your specialist dealer will be happy to advise you on their installation and retrofitting.

100% acoustic instrument + 100% digital possibilities

The sound module of the VARIO duet lets you enjoy a digital version of our world-class concert grand via headphones in HiFi quality.



The discreetly designed module also offers you many other sounds, studio-quality effects and sound editing options:

- Regulation of string resonances
- Advanced sound settings for piano sounds
- Volumes (Mixer)
- Selection of the room acoustics
- Tuning and transposition
- Graphic 4-band equalizer

Your favorite settings

You can save your favourite settings to four memory locations, which you can then recall at the push of a button on the front of the VARIO module.



Even more digital possibilities - with the VARIO App

The VARIO app, available free of charge, allows you to conveniently set up and extensively control your VARIO duet with smartphones and tablets. The range of functions varies depending on the capabilities of the mobile operating system, Android or iOS/iPadOS.



Functions of the VARIO App (iOS and iPadOS)

Record your own music

Record your music with the recorder with just one click. The song management helps you to sort and archive your music.

Easy sharing

Everything you record with this recorder, you can share conveniently with friends via email or messenger and even with other apps on your device.

Digital metronome

The metronome of the VARIO app invites you to practice, and is able to handle even the most complex time signatures and patterns.

Good to know

The VARIO duet digital system also works without an app after the initial setup in case you do not have your smartphone or tablet at hand.



Functions of the VARIO App for iOS and Android

Wide range of sound variations

Several electric pianos, harpsichord and of course an original C. Bechstein concert grand piano can be selected simply by swiping.

Adjusting dynamics and playing feel

The precise detection of the key's acceleration allows expressive playing and control over the dynamics across the entire keyboard.

Software updates

Through updates your VARIO gets to know new functions - with the same ease you are already familiar with from your smartphone. Updates are conveniently applied to the system via the VARIO apps.

Digital expansion, easy as child's play

Apps for smartphones, tablets or PCs can add many more facets to the experience of playing our acoustic instruments.

Virtually all third party applications that support the so-called MIDI protocol via Bluetooth or USB can be used.

For example:

- 🎓 Learning for music education
- 🔄 Sharing music with others
- 🎵 Writing sheet music and scores
- 🎮 Experiencing music games
- 🎧 Editing digital recordings
- ▶ Professional music production



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