Kdenlive Video editor shortcuts

CONCEPTS

Press Ctrl+Alt+I and type: every menu action is searchable, even ones without a shortcut.

The workflow: set a zone (I/O) in the clip monitor, then V inserts it into the timeline at the playhead, B overwrites.

Project Bin import clips
Clip monitor set zone I / O
Timeline V insert, B overwrite
Project monitor play, review
Render Ctrl+Return

Shortcuts are the defaults of 26.08 and are rebindable in Settings > Configure Keyboard Shortcuts (Ctrl+Alt+,).

PLAYBACK

Space Play / stop

K Pause

L
Play forward (press again to speed up)

J
Rewind (press again to speed up)

Left / Right
Back / forward 1 frame

Shift + Left / Shift + Right
Back / forward 1 second

Home / End
Go to clip start / end

Ctrl + Home / Ctrl + End
Go to project start / end

Alt + Left / Alt + Right
Previous / next snap point

Ctrl + Left / Ctrl + Right
Previous / next guide

Shift + I / Shift + O
Go to zone start / end

Ctrl + Space Play zone

P
Move playhead to mouse position

T Switch clip / project monitor

ZONES AND GUIDES

I Set zone in

O Set zone out

V Insert clip zone in timeline

B
Overwrite clip zone in timeline

Ctrl + I
Add zone to project bin as subclip

G Add / remove guide

Z
Lift timeline zone (leave a gap)

Shift + X
Extract timeline zone (close the gap)

TIMELINE EDITING

Shift + R Cut clip at playhead

Ctrl + Shift + R
Cut all clips at playhead

Del Delete selected item

Shift + Del
Extract clip (close the gap)

Ctrl + D Duplicate clip

Ctrl + G Group clips

Ctrl + Shift + G Ungroup clips

U Mix clips (crossfade)

Ctrl + Shift + A Deselect all

(/)
Resize item start / end to playhead

Ctrl + drag Adjust clip speed

TOOLS

S Selection tool

X Razor tool

M
Spacer tool (move all later clips)

Esc Back to selection tool

Ctrl + MW Zoom timeline

Ctrl + = / Ctrl + -
Zoom timeline in / out

TOOLS (cont.)

Shift + Return
Start preview render

TRACKS

A Toggle track active

Shift + L Toggle track lock

Ctrl + Shift + H
Toggle track hidden / mute

PROJECT AND GENERAL

Ctrl + Z Undo

Ctrl + Shift + Z Redo

Ctrl + S Save

Ctrl + Shift + S Save as

Ctrl + N / Ctrl + O
New / open project

Ctrl + Q Quit

Ctrl + Return Render

Ctrl + C / Ctrl + X / Ctrl + V
Copy / cut / paste

Ctrl + A Select all

F2 Rename

Ctrl + Alt + I Find action

Ctrl + Shift + F
Full screen mode

F11 Monitor fullscreen

Ctrl + Alt + ,
Configure keyboard shortcuts

RECIPES

Rough cut from a long clip

```
# double-click clip in bin to
open it
J / K / L   # scrub to the start
I           # zone in
O           # zone out
V           # drop it at the
playhead
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Trim a gap out

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Space       # find the dead part
Shift+R     # cut at its start
Right x N   # step to its end
Shift+R     # cut again
S, click part # select the middle
Shift+Del   # extract, gap
closes
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