mpv Keyboard media player

CONCEPTS

mpv has almost no visible UI: everything is a key. Hover the window to see the on-screen controller, or press ? for the list of bindings.

Command line options map 1:1 to mpv.conf lines (--fs becomes fs). Command line beats config, config beats built-in defaults.

Keys shown are the defaults of the stable release. A user input.conf adds to or overrides them.

PLAYBACK

Space / **p**
Pause / resume

Left / **Right**
Seek back / forward 5 s

Up / **Down**
Seek forward / back 1 min

q Quit

Q
Quit and remember position

Shift + **Left** / **Shift** + **Right**
Seek 1 s, exact

Shift + **Up** / **Shift** + **Down**
Seek 5 s, exact

PLAYBACK (cont.)

. / **,**
Step one frame forward / back

Home Jump to start of file

PgUp / **PgDn**
Previous / next chapter

Shift + **BackSpace**
Undo last seek

SPEED AND LOOP

[/ **]**
Speed down / up 10%

BackSpace
Reset speed to normal

{ / **}**
Halve / double speed

l Set A-B loop points

L
Toggle infinite loop of the file

`mpv --speed=<n>`
Start at a given speed

`mpv --loop=inf <file>`
Loop forever

AUDIO AND VOLUME

9 / **0** Volume down / up

m Mute

Cycle audio tracks

AUDIO AND VOLUME (cont.)

Ctrl + **Minus** / **Ctrl** + **Plus**
Audio delay -/+ 0.1 s

`mpv --aid=<n>`
Start with audio track n

`mpv --volume=<0-130>`
Start volume

SUBTITLES

j / **J**
Cycle subtitle track forward / back

v Subtitles on / off

z / **Z**
Subtitle delay -/+ 0.1 s

r / **R**
Move subtitles up / down

G / **F**
Subtitle size +/- 10%

`mpv --sub-file=<file>`
Load an external subtitle file

`mpv --sid=<n>`
Start with subtitle track n

VIDEO AND WINDOW

f Toggle fullscreen

Alt + **0** / **Alt** + **1** / **Alt** + **2**
Window half / original / double size

VIDEO AND WINDOW (cont.)

T Keep window on top

A
Cycle aspect ratio override

Alt + **Plus** / **Alt** + **Minus**
Zoom in / out

Alt + **BackSpace**
Reset pan and zoom

`mpv --fs`
Start fullscreen

`mpv --no-video <file>`
Audio only, no window

PLAYLIST

> / **Enter**
Next file in playlist

< Previous file in playlist

F8 Show playlist

`mpv --shuffle <files>`
Play in random order

`mpv <dir>`
Play every file in a folder

INFO AND SCREENSHOTS

s
Screenshot with subtitles

S
Screenshot without subtitles

o Show progress and time

INFO AND SCREENSHOTS (cont.)

i Show stats overlay

?
Show key binding overlay

MOUSE

Double-click
Toggle fullscreen

Right-click
Pause / resume

Scroll › **up** / **Scroll** › **down**
Volume up / down

COMMAND LINE

`mpv <file or URL>`
Play a file or stream

`mpv --start=<time>`
Start at a time

CONFIGURATION

`~/.config/mpv/mpv.conf`
Options, one per line

`~/.config/mpv/input.conf`
Your key bindings

`option=value`
Config syntax

`KEY command`
Binding syntax in input.conf