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.

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

. / ,
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

`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

T Keep window on top

A Cycle aspect ratio override

Alt + Plus / Alt + Minus
Zoom in / out

`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

PLAYLIST (cont.)

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

INFO AND SCREENSHOTS

s Screenshot with subtitles

S Screenshot without subtitles

o Show progress and time

i Show stats overlay

? Show key binding overlay

` Open the console

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

RECIPES

Starter mpv.conf

```
# ~/.config/mpv/mpv.conf
hwdec
save-position-on-quit
keep-open=yes
screenshot-directory=~/Pictures
sub-auto=fuzzy
```

Audio player for a folder

```
mpv --no-video --shuffle ~/Music
# q quits, > skips
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