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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