USING PLAY IN CUBASE 8

1. Open Cubase and go to Project > Add Track > Instrument...

2. An 'Add Instrument Track' window will appear. Click in the drop down menu and select PLAY from the plugin list.

3. Click 'Add Track' to create the PLAY plugin track. You’re now ready to load your first instrument and begin composing. Please continue with the steps below if you would like to use Play as a multi-timbral instrument (that is, loading multiple instruments within one instance of the Play plugin).
USING PLAY IN CUBASE 8 (MULTI-TIMBRAL)

1. Open Cubase and go to Devices > VST Instruments

![Image of Cubase Devices menu]

2. In the VST Instrument window, click in the Rack Instrument menu and select Play. You should see a Rack Instrument created inside the VST Instruments window.

![Image of Cubase VST Instruments window with Play selected]

3. When asked to create a MIDI track assigned to the Play plugin choose 'Create'.

![Image of Cubase MIDI track creation dialog]
4. Cubase will create a Rack Instrument and associated MIDI track assigned to Play.

5. Create up to 16 individual MIDI tracks by right-clicking in the empty track space and choosing to ‘Add MIDI Track’.

Please note: In Cubase’s Inspector window, you can check the MIDI Channel assignments of each MIDI track highlighted below.
6. In the Play plugin, go to the Settings menu, and click on the Other tab. Under MIDI channel assignment, select Auto-Increment. This will ensure every instrument you load into Play will advance to the next MIDI channel assignment (1, 2, 3, etc) and correspond to the MIDI channel assignments in Cubase. You can begin loading instruments in Play now.