🎛 CONTROLS

- **FUNCTION SELECTION:** Turn the rotary encoder left or right.
- **A/B INPUT TOGGLE:** Press the rotary encoder button.
- **INPUT SENSITIVITY:** Access the menu via the touch screen.

🎚 PLACEMENT

The Arbiter includes a premium weighted metal desktop stand, but you may want to position it elsewhere. Its dimensions are similar to a modern iPhone making it compatible with most phone clips, arms and mounts. *Always check dimensions of third-party accessories before purchasing.*

💪 WARRANTY

LIMITED MANUFACTURER'S POLICY: Subject to the terms, conditions and limitations expressed below, your Arbiter is warranted against defects in materials, workmanship or operation under normal use for a period of 2 years from the date of purchase. This warranty policy is made and given by Kaptive Audio to the original purchaser only. To make a warranty claim, the customer should contact Kaptive Audio via email at *support@kaptiveaudio.com*; to claim, the customer must provide a copy of their original proof of purchase. Kaptive Audio, at its sole discretion, will repair or replace the defective unit. The customer is responsible for return shipping, Kaptive Audio will cover shipping the unit back. The unit should be properly packaged (in a fashion similar to how it was received) for return so as to avoid any further damage in transit. EXCEPTIONS: This warranty is void if the product is malfunctioning or has been damaged as a result of accident, abuse, misuse, or modification; there are no user-serviceable parts inside. This warranty does not cover normal wear and tear. This warranty does not apply to any damage caused by natural disasters including but not limited to fire, flood, earthquakes, hurricanes, tornadoes and any other similar event. This warranty is non-transferable and only redeemable by the original purchaser. BUNDLED ACCESSORIES: The included desktop stand and power cable come with a separate warranty of 90 days from the date of purchase. The same conditions and limitations detailed herein apply. DISCLAIMER: This warranty is in lieu of all other warranties, expressed or implied, and constitutes the only warranty being given by Kaptive Audio. This warranty supersedes all prior representations and agreements. Kaptive Audio will not be liable for any incidental or consequential damages, including but not limited to loss of use, loss of time, inconvenience, or any other commercial or economic loss. GOVERNING LAW: This warranty shall be governed by the laws of the jurisdiction in which the product was purchased from.

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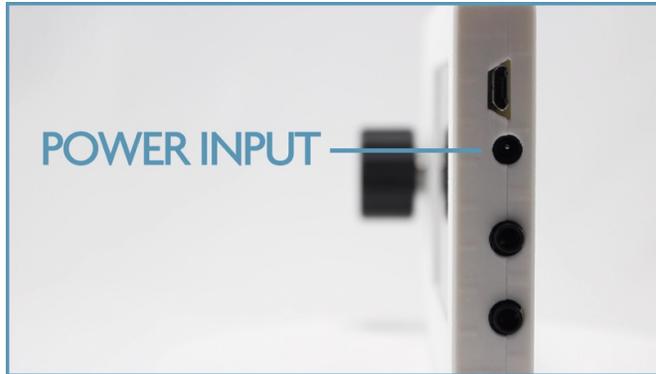

WELCOME TO THE FAMILY

Thank you for choosing to add an Arbiter to your toolset! You'll find the operational details for your Analog Input model within this manual. Please read thoroughly to ensure proper usage of your new device and do not hesitate to contact us for help or with any questions at *support@kaptiveaudio.com*.

🔌 POWER

- Your Arbiter operates on 5v power provided via the included USB-A to DC 3.5mm barrel cable.
- The micro-USB port's primary purpose is for interfacing with the Kaptive Kontrol software (available to download for free at kaptiveaudio.com), but you may also power the unit via this port *instead of* the barrel connector.
- ***Do not connect the unit to anything besides 5v USB power.***

🔊 AUDIO SIGNAL CONNECTION

Your Arbiter receives audio via 1/8" stereo TRS inputs. There are dual Input jacks allowing for simultaneous connection of 2 different sources; to A/B a mix against a reference, for example.

CONNECTION GUIDELINES:

- The Arbiter is calibrated to receive a full-scale signal. If connecting directly from an audio interface or converter, ensure the output is set to 0.0db (unattenuated).
- **Exception**: When using a headphone output, follow the specific setup steps outlined below.
- ***Only connect line level signals (except for headphone outputs).***

EXAMPLE CONNECTION PATHS:

1. Using a Headphone Jack

- For a 1/4" headphone jack → Use a 1/4" TRS to 1/8" TRS cable.
- For a 1/8" headphone jack → Use a 1/8" TRS to 1/8" TRS cable.
- Download our calibration file bundle from the Support section on kaptiveaudio.com to set proper input levels.

2. XLR Outputs from an Interface/Converter

- Use a dual XLR female to single 1/8" TRS male Y-cable.
- Outputs should be a stereo pair at full scale.
- Download our calibration file bundle from the Support section on kaptiveaudio.com to set proper input levels.

3. 1/4" TRS Outputs from an Interface/Converter

- Use a dual 1/4" TRS male to single 1/8" TRS male Y-cable.
- Outputs should be a stereo pair at full scale.
- Download our calibration file bundle from the Support section on kaptiveaudio.com to set proper input levels.

4. If Your Audio Interface Only Has 2 Outputs

If your only stereo outputs are feeding your monitors and you don't have a headphone jack available, you will need to duplicate your outputs and add a monitor level controller. Calibration files available at kaptiveaudio.com.

- If your outputs are XLR, use 2x single female XLR to dual balanced male XLR Y-cables. This allows you to send one L+R copy of the signal to your monitor controller and another copy to the Arbiter.
- If your outputs are 1/4" TRS, use 2x single 1/4" TRS male to dual 1/4" TRS female Y-cables. This allows you to send one L+R copy of the signal to your monitors and another copy to the Arbiter.
- Because the Arbiter requires a full-scale signal, set your interface output to full volume, then utilize a monitor controller in line with the signal feeding your monitors for independent level control.