Noise Engineering Yester Versio



Audio developer Noise Engineering introduces the ninth firmware for its Versio effects platform by introducing Yester Versio as a simple three-tap delay Eurorack module with some extra flair - firmware that is now available for current Versio owners to download via the Noise Engineering Customer Portal, with black- or silver-coloured hot-swappable acrylic overlays to match its controls also available to buy

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via Noise Engineering’s online shop - with orders open as of March 21, while shipping starts on March 23…

“We got a lot of requests for a simple delay for the platform - something that is easy to tame and a workhorse delay that you can put on almost any patch,” notes Noise Engineering’s Chief of Destruction, Markus Cancilla, continuing: “We wanted to create a delay that is immediate - plug it in and you have something you want to use. Just as important to us was making something that was versatile - something that could go from a beautiful and tame delay to the extreme, yet still be controlled. We spent so much time on every detail, getting the interactions of the parameters just right.”

As a simple three-tap delay, Yester Versio comes complete with the usual suspects when it comes to control over panning (Pan), delay feedback (Regen), and delay time (Time), but - in typical Noise Engineering fashion - there is so much more. The Time control interacts with the Even/Triplet/Dotted switch to allow the delay timing to be adjusted for ideal syncing; these also work with the Tap input - both a button and jack input for syncing to clocks. Clearly this makes it easy to sync Yester Versio to the rest of a user’s patch and create interesting rhythms.

Reality dictates that the distinctive Noise Engineering character goes even further with the inclusion of a Tone knob - a DJ-style filter that lets users shape their sound with high- or low-pass filtering; Chorus - a bipolar control that adds a touch of clean pitch shifting or LFO-modulated chorus effects; and Fold - which adds gentle saturation, then some not-so-gentle folding, and, at the top of the knob, slightly chaotic sub- octaves for a more doom-laden sound.

Speaking of switches, Fade/Octave/Jump determines how the delay responds to timing changes - choose Fade for smooth interpolation with no pitch shift or artefacts; Octave rate-limits time changes to give octave-based harmonies; and Jump lets the delay respond as quickly as possible, introducing wonderfully glitchy artefacts. And almost all of those controls are, of course, CV-able, since it is, after all, a Versio module.

Though the shapeshifting Versio effects platform is one of two platforms developed by Noise Engineering, only owners of any Versio Eurorack module can use any other Versio firmwares for free - by visiting the Noise Engineering Customer Portal (https://portal.noiseengineering.us), and connecting their module with a USB cable. Helpfully, hot-swappable acrylic overlays are also available for each firmware, or as a discounted multipack, to make it easy to remember what the controls do in each firmware. Offerings on the Versio platform presently include Desmodus Versio, Noise Engineering’s experimental take on reverb; Ruina Versio, a stereo multimode distortion processor; and Melotus Versio, a granular delay and freeze effect - just to name a few.

As a long-awaited answer those requests received by Noise Engineering for a simple delay on the Versio platform, Yester Versio is designed to be as easy to control as it

is straightforward in operation. Indeed, it is perfect to add exciting stereo effects to a performance or sound design project with just enough character to create some really wild variation.

Yester Versio is in stock and starts shipping on March 23, 2023, available as a black- or silver-coloured Eurorack module at a price of $393.00 USD directly from Noise Engineering’s online shop or via Noise Engineering’s growing global network of dealers.

Black- or silver-coloured hot-swappable Versio acrylic overlays are available for $16.00 USD each - or as a multipack (with one for each Versio firmware, totalling nine) for $128.00 USD - directly from Noise Engineering’s online Shop.

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