

NEW COUNTER-STRIKE 2 MUSIC KIT SOUNDTRACK RELEASE, MASTERMINDS II, FEATURING COMPOSERS MATT LEVINE, AUSTIN WINTORY, DREN MCDONALD, TREE ADAMS AND MORE IN FOLLOW-UP TO THE ORIGINAL MASTERMINDS MUSIC KIT, RELEASING AUG 20TH

Counter-Strike 2 (Valve Software), released a year ago in September 2023, which enjoys almost 25 million monthly players in the most popular game on the Steam platform, adds a new music kit to its ranks. The soundtrack with the original Masterminds I participating composers is now streaming in stereo and Atmos on all streaming platforms.

SAN FRANCISCO, CA & LOS ANGELES, CA (MONDAY, AUGUST 19th, 2024) - In 2020, Valve Software released the Masterminds Music Kit within their immensely popular game, Counter-Strike: Global Offensive (CS: GO). All of the composers that were part of "Masterminds", **Austin Wintory** (Journey), **Dren McDonald** (Gunman Taco Truck), **Matt Levine** (The Last of Us), **Tree Adams** (NCIS: New Orleans), **Sam Marshall** (Concrete Genie), **Ben Bromfield** (Ginny & Georgia), and **Daniel Sadowski** (Clash of Clans) have all created new music kits for Masterminds II!

A music kit is an in-game item, first introduced in 2014 as part of a CS:GO update to add new music to be played during gameplay. When a music kit is equipped, the in-game music is changed to include custom tracks from various composers created exclusively for Counter-Strike. The equipped music kit can be shared with anyone the player is playing with, and even includes a special broadcasted MVP Anthem when the player is selected as a round MVP. Music kits are available as offers in game (found on the menu screen), or can be found on the Steam Market.

It has become a tradition that composers try to bring new, unexpected genres (and blends of genres) to the Counter-Strike music kits. Masterminds 1 included Celtic electronica, punk rock mariachi, spaghetti western and funky 90s game nostalgia. Masterminds Vol 2 takes the game music genre bending even further, with Balkan brass party music, fiddle burning electronic, synth funk and full band alien inspired funk.

The MASTERMINDS II soundtrack launched worldwide in-game and on all streaming services August 20th, 2024. The soundtrack was produced by [Matt Levine](#). The stereo and Atmos mixes for the soundtrack have been mastered by **Grammy Award** winning engineer, [Michael Romanowski](#) (Alicia Keys - The Diary of Alicia Keys). The MASTERMINDS II soundtrack was made possible by a generous grant from the San Francisco Conservatory of Music.

Below are the details from each composer and their music kit for Masterminds Vol. 2

Composer	Music Kit Title
Tree Adams	<u>Seventh Moon</u>
Austin Wintory	<u>The Devil Went Clubbing in Georgia</u>
Matt Levine	<u>Agency</u>
Ben Bromfield	<u>Rabbit Hole</u>
Dren McDonald	<u>Coffee! Kofe! Kahveh!</u>
Sam Marshall	<u>Clutch</u>
Tim Huling	<u>Devil's Paintbrush</u>
Daniel Sadowski	<u>Dead Shot</u>

Tree Adams

Seventh Moon

Here on Seventh Moon, Tree Adams rolls up a greasy mix of intergalactic funk with a driving battle score.

Austin Wintory

The Devil Went Clubbing in Georgia

Matt Levine

Agency

Enter the dangerous world of espionage with the "Agency" music kit from composer Matt Levine.

Ben Bromfield

Rabbit Hole

You've been double-crossed! Experience this high-stakes, broodingly tense, Jazz-inspired Soundtrack from Film & TV Composer Ben Bromfield as you uncover just how deep this rabbit hole goes...

Dren McDonald

Coffee! Kofe! Kahveh!

Coffee! Kofe! Kahveh!" Is BalkanBalkanBalkan! street party brass music from Dren Mcdonald (Gunman Taco Truck and Death's Head Demolition) recorded live in Balkancisco! Caffeine is your friend...it's everybody's friend, except for your enemy! Coffee!Kofe!Kahveh! HEY!

Sam Marshall

Clutch

"Clutch," the unsanctioned sequel to "Bodacious," is a cyber-funk fever dream abomination, reanimated by Sam Marshall through alchemy and arcane ritual.

Daniel Sadowski

Dead Shot

Daniel Sadowski invites players to enter the world of "Dead Shot," a hybrid blend of Action, Hip-Hop, Orchestral, Electronic, Retro, Emotion, and Sound Design. Avoid the Head Rot.

Tim Huling

Devil's Paintbrush

Get your adrenaline up with 'Devil's Paintbrush,' a high-energy groove-metal experience.

For more information about MASTERMINDS II, please visit:
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