

## Taking Compact Digital Studios to the Next Level.



The BR-1180 Digital Recording Studio is more than a digital recorder, it's a complete music production system. You get 10 tracks of hard disk recording, 80 Virtual Tracks, onboard COSM® effects, a programmable Rhythm Guide drum track and an optional CD-R/RW drive for burning CDs (standard on the BR-1180CD). And because it's from BOSS, you won't lose your wallet—or your patience—owning one.

It's that easy!

## Hassle-free Recording!

- Grab a guitar.**  
 Connect a guitar to the Guitar/Bass input and set Input Select to "Guitar".
- Select an effect.**  
 Press the Effect button and the BR-1180 will automatically select a guitar effect. Use this one or select another patch as desired.
- Arm the track.**  
 Press the Status button of the destination track so it lights red.
- Start recording.**  
 Press REC and PLAY to begin recording.

## Ultra-Affordable, Very Portable.

If you're looking for a portable, yet powerful digital recorder, look no further than the BOSS BR-532. This 32-track digital studio plays back four simultaneous tracks and includes a separate Rhythm Guide drum track plus onboard effects. Its compact size and battery power make it perfect for musicians on the go.

### Take It Anywhere

The BR-532 uses SmartMedia cards for convenient recording and storage. A built-in microphone and battery power make it possible to record anywhere.

### Pro-Quality Features

Though smaller in size, the BR-532 doesn't skimp on features. Powerful digital editing, killer effects, COSM Amp Modeling, an XLR Mic input—it's all here!

### BOSS Makes It Easy

With its tape-style controls and logical panel layout, the BR-532 makes recording, editing and mixing music so simple anyone can use it.



Download your free copy of the BR-532 Wave Converter software, which lets you import and export .WAV/AIFF files using an optional SmartMedia reader.



**BR-532**  
DIGITAL STUDIO **COSM** SmartMedia

### BR-532 SPECIFICATIONS

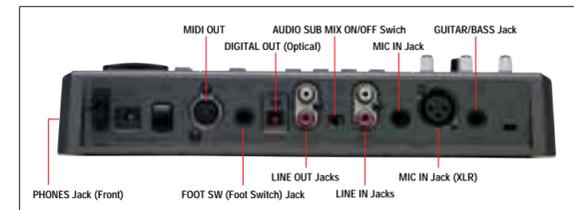
●Tracks Track: 4, V-Track: 32 (8 V-tracks per track) \*Up to 2 tracks can be recorded simultaneously, and up to 4 tracks can be played back simultaneously. ●Useful Capacity SmartMedia (3.3 V only): 16 to 128 MB ●Data Type HIFI (MT2) STANDARD (LV1) LONG (LV2) ●Signal Processing AD Conversion: 24 bit + AF-AD (Guitar/Bass) / 24 bit + AF-AD (Mic) / 24 bit (Line) / 24 bit (Simul), DA Conversion: 24 bit, Internal Processing: 32 bit (digital mixer section) ●Sample Rate 44.1 kHz ●Frequency Response 20 Hz to 20 kHz (+1/-3 dBu) ●Total Distortion 0.15 % or less (INPUT SENS: CENTER, 1 kHz at nominal output level, data type: MT2) ●Nominal Input Level (Variable) GUITAR/BASS Jack: -24 dBu, MIC (Phone/XLR) Jack: -50 dBu, LINE Jack: -10 dBu ●Input Impedance GUITAR/BASS Jack: 1 MΩ, MIC (Phone/XLR) Jack: 2.2 kΩ (HOT-COLD), 1.1 kΩ (HOT-GND, COLD-GND), LINE Jack: 14 kΩ ●Nominal Output Level LINE Output Jack: -10 dBu ●Output Impedance LINE Output Jack: 2 kΩ, Headphones Jack: 100 Ω ●Recommended Load Impedance LINE Output Jack: 20 kΩ or greater, Headphones Jack: 8 to 50 Ω ●Residual Noise Level LINE Output Jack: -83 dBu or less (INPUT SELECT: GUITAR/BASS, input terminated with 1 kΩ, INPUT SENS: CENTER, IHF-A, typ) ●Display 20 Characters x 2 Lines (Backlit LCD) ●Power Supply DC 9 V: Supply AC Adaptor (PSA Series), Dry battery x 6 ●Current Draw 200 mA \*Expected battery life under continuous use: [Carbon: 2.5 hours, [Alkaline: 7 hours] \*These figures will vary depending on the actual conditions of use. ●Dimensions 290.5(W) x 220.5(D) x 65.0(H) mm, 11-7/16(W) x 8-11/16(D) x 2-9/16(H) inches ●Weight 1.8 kg/ 4 lbs (excluding Batteries) ●Accessories Demo Card (32 MB), Dry Battery (LR6(AA)) x 6 ●Options AC Adaptor (PSA Series), Foot Switch (FS-5U), Pedal Switch (DP-2) \*0 dBu=0.775 Vrms

### BR-532 RECORDING TIME

	16MB	32MB	64MB	128MB
HIFI	8 min.	16 min.	32 min.	65 min.
Standard	9 min.	19 min.	39 min.	78 min.
Long	12 min.	24 min.	49 min.	98 min.

\*The recording times shown at left are approximate. Times may vary depending on the number of songs created.  
\*Recording times shown are the total for all tracks used. Therefore, if each of the four tracks contain an equal amount of data, the length of the resulting song will be approximately 1/4 of the time shown.

### BR-532 REAR PANEL



Composite Object Sound Modeling

Once a musical instrument generates sound vibrations, it reaches the human ear through various mediating objects, each of which significantly affects the sound. The material and configuration of the instrument, the electric/electronic/magnetic amplifying system, the air and the reverberation of the room all affect the final sound. Sound modeling, the latest DSP technology, "virtually"reconstructs these objects. Roland's breakthrough Composite Object Sound Modeling (COSM) uses the advantages of multiple modeling methods and succeeds in accurately emulating existing sounds, as well as producing sounds that have never before been created.

### OPTIONS

CDI-BR-1 CD-R/RW Drive for BR-1180



User-installable

FS-5U Foot Switch (Unlatch)



PSA Series AC Adaptor for BR-532



EV-5 Expression Pedal



DP-2 Pedal Switch



DR-20\* Dynamic Microphone



\* Recommended for COSM Mic Modeling

RH-50 Headphones



DS-90A\*\* 24-bit Digital Reference Monitor



\*\* Recommended for COSM Speaker Modeling

DS-50A\*\* 24-bit Digital Reference Monitor



\*\* Recommended for COSM Speaker Modeling

DS-30A 24-bit Digital Reference Monitor



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**BR-1180 CD**  
**BR-1180**

# Digital Recording and CD Burning for Musicians.



**XLR and Hi-Z Inputs**  
Whether recording microphones, electric guitar or keyboards, the BR-1180's XLR Mic inputs with phantom power, Guitar Hi-Z input, and Line inputs have you covered. There's also an optical digital output for direct connection to digital gear.

**Onboard Mastering Tools**  
Included within the BR-1180's stellar effects is the Mastering Tool Kit. This powerful algorithm contains everything you need to master like the pros: multi-band compression, 4-band EQ, an enhancer, limiter, bass cut filter and more.

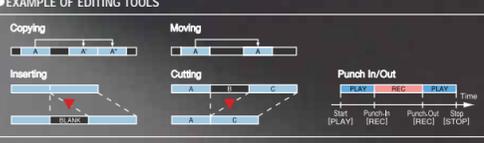
**Simple and Powerful**  
Like all BOSS products, the BR-1180 is designed to be user-friendly. So if you can use a tape-based studio, you'll be right at home. But unlike other portable studios, the BR-1180 has everything you need to go from idea to mastered CD.

**Genuine BOSS Effects**  
The BR-1180's three onboard effects processors borrow technology found in BOSS pedals and multi-effects, so you know they sound great.

**Edit with Confidence**  
In the past, editing a recording meant hours of splicing and results that were far from perfect. Thanks to digital technology, the BR-1180 lets you cut, copy, paste and move using straightforward commands. Make a mistake? Just hit Undo and you're back to square one.

**More for Your Money...**

- Built-in Chromatic Tuner makes tuning your guitar or bass a snap
- Phrase Trainer slows down guitar licks for easy learning
- Center Cancel function removes lead vocals from recordings
- COSM Speaker Modeling models the characteristics of several popular reference monitors when used with Roland DS-Series monitors
- COSM Mic Modeling changes dynamic mics to sound like studio condensers costing much more
- BR-1180 can be upgraded to BR-1180CD with optional CDI-BR-1 Kit



**INSERT EFFECTS**

<b>A.SIM</b>	Acoustic Guitar Simulator	<b>C.COMPLMR</b>	COSM Comp/Limiter	<b>ENH</b>	Enhancer	<b>MC</b>	Mic Converter	<b>RNG</b>	Ring Modulator
<b>ACP</b>	Acoustic Processor	<b>DES</b>	De-esser	<b>EQ</b>	4-Band Equalizer	<b>NS</b>	Noise Suppressor	<b>S.ATK</b>	Slow Attack
<b>B.SIM</b>	Bass Simulator	<b>DFR</b>	Defretter	<b>FL</b>	Flanger	<b>OCT</b>	Octave	<b>SP</b>	Speaker Simulator
<b>B.CUT</b>	Bass Cut Filter	<b>DLY</b>	Delay	<b>FV</b>	Foot Volume	<b>PH</b>	Phaser	<b>TRM</b>	Tremolo/Pan
<b>CHO</b>	Chorus	<b>DSTN</b>	Distance	<b>LM</b>	Limiter	<b>PS</b>	Pitch Shifter	<b>VT</b>	Voice Transformer
<b>COMP</b>	Compressor	<b>DBL</b>	Doubling	<b>LO-FI</b>	Lo-Fi Box	<b>P.AMP</b>	Preamp	<b>WAH</b>	Wah

**INSERT EFFECT ALGORITHMS**

BANK	ALGORITHM	EFFECTS	BANK	ALGORITHM	EFFECTS
GUITAR/BASS	COSM GUITAR AMP	COMP, P.AMP, SP, EQ/WAH, NS, FV, FL/CHO/PH/PS/DBL/TRM/S, ATK, DLY	MIC	COSM VOCAL COMP	C.COMPLMR, DES, ENH, EQ, NS, FV, DLY
	ACOUSTIC SIM	A.SIM, COMP, EQ, NS, FV, FL/CHO/PH/PS/DBL/TRM, DLY		MIC MODELING	MC, B.CUT, DSTN, LM
	BASS SIM	B.SIM, COMP/DFR, NS, FV, FL/CHO/PH/PS/DBL/TRM		STEREO MULTI	COMP, RNG, EQ/WAH, NS, FV, FL/CHO/PH/PS/DBL/TRM, DLY
	COSM COMP.GAMP	C.COMPLMR, P.AMP, SP, EQ/WAH, NS, FV, DLY		LO-FI BOX	LO-FI, NS
	ACOUSTIC GUITAR	ACP, COMP, EQ, NS, DLY		SIMUL	VO-GAMP (MIC)
BASS MULTI	COMP/DFR, OCT, NS, EQ/WAH, NS, FV, FL/CHO/PH/PS/DBL/TRM, DLY	VO-GAMP (GUITAR)	COMP, P.AMP, SP, NS, DLY		
COSM BASS AMP	COMP, P.AMP, SP, EQ/WAH, NS, FV, FL/CHO/PH/PS/DBL/TRM, DLY	VO-AC SIM (MIC)	COMP, EQ, NS, DLY		
COSM COMP.BAMP	C.COMPLMR, P.AMP, SP, EQ/WAH, NS, FV, DLY	VO-AC SIM (GUITAR)	A.SIM, COMP, NS, DLY		
VOCAL MULTI	COMP, DES, ENH, EQ, NS, FV, FL/CHO/PH/PS/DBL/TRM, DLY	VO-ACOUSTIC (MIC)	COMP, NS		
VOICE TRANSFORMER	VT, NS, FV, FL/CHO/PH/PS/DBL/TRM, DLY	VO-ACOUSTIC (GUITAR)	ACP, COMP, NS		

**COSM Effects for Killer Tone**

From crunchy blues tones to screaming rock leads, the BR-1180's COSM Amp Modeling delivers—no external effects or amps needed! Of course, there's plenty of other goodies like COSM Mic and Speaker Modeling, a Bass Simulator, and a Mastering Tool Kit for great mixdowns. Two Loop processors provide global effects like reverb, chorus and delay.

● **COSM Preamp Type**

GUITAR	JC-120	CRUNCH	VO DRV	BG LEAD	MS(O)	SLDN	METAL D	BASS
	CLEAN	MATCH	BLUES	MS(1)	MS(1/2)	METAL	AMG	

**Massive 20GB Hard Drive**

The BR-1180 comes with a 20GB internal hard drive for tons of ultra-reliable recording. Now there's plenty of room to track your next hit.

● **Maximum Useful Capacity/Recording Time**  
Internal Hard Disk: 20 GB

Data type	Recording time
LIN	50 hours
MT1	120 hours
MT2	160 hours
LV1	190 hours
LV2	240 hours

\*The recording times shown at left are approximate. Times may vary depending on the number of songs and the size of imported loop phrases.  
\*Recording times shown are the total for all tracks used.  
\*Therefore, if each of the ten tracks contain an equal amount of data, the length of the resulting song will be approximately 1/10 of the time shown.  
(conversion in 1 track, times approximate)

**80-Track Digital Recording**

The BR-1180's 10 primary tracks each contain eight "Virtual Tracks"—yielding a total of 80 recording tracks—which can be edited and combined with digital precision (just select any 10 for playback).

**Import and Export .WAV/AIFF Files**

Import .WAV/AIFF files and CD tracks! A handy Timestretch function makes it easy to sync loops to the tempo of your song. Likewise, you can also export BR-1180 tracks for easy loading into a Mac or PC.

● **TEMPO MATCH**

**Separate Rhythm Track**

Need drums? Switch on the Rhythm Track! It's like having a drum machine built right into the BR-1180, stocked with realistic sounds and a variety of patterns for your song.

● **PRESET RHYTHM PATTERNS**

- ROCK x 6
- HARD ROCK x 5
- HEAVY x 5
- POP x 8
- BALLAD x 2
- BLUES x 4
- R&B x 5
- JAZZ x 3
- FUSION x 2
- HiPop x 2
- LINK x 1
- HOUSE x 1
- Country x 2
- OTHER x 2
- Metronome x 1

\*Each style has six forms (Intro, verse1, 2, fill1, 2, Ending).

● **STEP RECORDING**

**Make Your Own Beats**

The Rhythm Track is fully programmable, so you can create your own rhythm patterns using realtime or step recording.

● **REALTIME RECORDING**

Tracks Status buttons change into Drum pads!

TRACK button	Drum Sound	TRACK button	Drum Sound
[1]	Kick 1	[9]	Ride Cymbal
[2]	Snare 1	[10]	Kick 2
[3]	Clamped Hi Hat	[11]	Snare 2
[4]	Open Hi Hat	[12]	Ciars
[5]	Low Tom	[13]	Cow Bell
[6]	Mid Tom	[14]	High Q
[7]	High Tom	[15]	Metronome (Cak)
[8]	Crash Cymbal	[16]	Metronome (B)

Import Standard MIDI File Patterns  
Using the BR-1180CD's onboard CD-R/RW drive, you can load Standard MIDI File (SMF) rhythm patterns on CD-ROM directly into the Rhythm Track for playback.

**BR-1180CD/1180 SPECIFICATIONS**

- Tracks Track: 10, V-Track: 80 (8 V-Tracks per each Track) \* Up to 2 tracks can be recorded simultaneously, and up to 10 tracks can be played back simultaneously.
- Signal Processing AD Conversion: 24 bit AF Method (Guitar/Bass), 24 bit AF-AD (Mic), 24 bit (Line), 24 bit (Simul), DA Conversion: 24 bit, Internal Processing: 24 bit (digital mixer section), Recording Data: 16 bit linear (data type: LIN) ● Sample Rate 44.1 kHz
- Frequency Response 20 Hz-20 kHz (+1/-3 dB) ● Total Distortion 0.15% or less (INPUT SENS: CENTER, 1 kHz at nominal output level, data type: LIN) ● Nominal Input Level (Variable) GUITAR/BASS Jack: -10 dBu, MIC 1, 2 Jack: -40 dBu, LINE Jack: -10 dBu ● Input Impedance GUITAR/BASS Jack: 1 MΩ, MIC 1, 2 Jack (TRS): 2.2 kΩ (HOT-COLD), 1.1 kΩ (HOT-GND, COLD-GND), MIC 1, 2 Jack (XLR): 2.2 kΩ (HOT-COLD), 1.1 kΩ (HOT-GND, COLD-GND), LINE IN Jack: 50 kΩ ● Nominal Output Level LINE OUT Jack: -10 dBu ● Output Impedance LINE OUT Jack: 2 kΩ, PHONES Jack: 100 Ω ● Recommended Load Impedance LINE OUT Jack: 20 kΩ or greater, PHONES Jack: 8-50 Ω ● Residual Noise Level LINE OUT Jack: -87 dBu or less (INPUT SELECT: GUITAR/BASS, input terminated with 1 kΩ, INPUT SENS: CENTER, IIF-A, typ.) ● Effects Mixer Effects: [Loop Effects: Chorus/Delay/Doubling, Reverb], [EQ (Two-band equalizer, Independent for each track)], Insert Effects: 17 algorithms, Speaker Modeling (Reference model are the Roland DS-90/90A and DS-50A), Mastering Effects ● Rhythm/Loop Phrase Resolution: 96 TPO, Rhythm Patterns: [Preset: 50, User\*: 999, Song\*: 999 \*User-programmable and SMF-Importable], Rhythm Arranges: [Preset: 50, User\*: 10, Song\*: 10 \*User-programmable], Loop Phrases: [User\*: 400 (50 x 8 banks), Song\*: 50 \*WAV/AIFF-Importable] ● Display 64 x 40 mm (Backlit LCD) ● Power Supply DC 12 V, Supply AC Adaptor (Roland PSB-3U) ● Power Consumption 3 A ● Dimensions 460 (W) x 273 (D) x 87 (H) mm, 18-1/8 (W) x 10-3/4 (D) x 3-7/16 (H) inches ● Weight BR-1180CD: 3.85 kg/8 lbs, 8 oz, BR-1180: 3.50 kg/7 lbs, 12 oz (Excluding AC Adaptor) ● Accessories AC Adaptor: PSB-3U, Effect Patch List/Rhythm Pattern List, DISCRETE DRUMS (CD-ROM: BR-1180CD only) ● Options CD-R/RW drive (for BR-1180), CDI-BR-1, Expression Pedal (EV-5), Foot Switch (FS-5U), Pedal Switch (DP-2)
- 0 dBu = 0.775 Vrms
- \* AF Method (Adaptive Focus method). This is a proprietary method from Roland that vastly improves the signal-to-noise (S/N) ratio of the A/D and D/A converters.



**Easy CD Burning**

With an optional CD-R/RW drive (standard on the BR-1180CD) CD burning and project backup have never been more convenient. Want to share your music? Simply insert the Mastering Tool Kit for punchy multi-band compression, mix down to the stereo Master Track and burn a CD—just like the pros.

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DIGITAL RECORDING STUDIO COSM

Same great features, but without the CD-R/RW drive.

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CDI-BR-1 Upgrade the BR-1180 with this user-installable kit.