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Blue Banana Software launches Pocket Jam 5, the first major release following its acquisition of the app

Interactive waveforms, a redesigned tempo trainer, and numerous workflow improvements make practicing songs easier than ever.

Florence, Italy – August 4, 2026
Blue Banana Software today announced Pocket Jam 5, the first major release since acquiring Pocket Jam earlier this year. The update introduces a fully interactive waveform view, a completely redesigned tempo trainer, improved looping tools, and dozens of usability refinements that make practicing, learning, and rehearsing songs faster and more intuitive.

The headline feature of Pocket Jam 5 is a new **interactive waveform view** that lets musicians visualize the structure of a song, quickly jump to any position, and set playback and loop points with much greater precision. The waveform is fully interactive and supports zooming while scrubbing for accurate navigation. Due to platform limitations, waveform visualization is available for audio files but not for Apple Music tracks.

The **tempo trainer** has been completely redesigned to provide a clearer overview of practice progress while gradually increasing playback speed. Together with improved loop controls, visible playback position during looping, and new rotary controls for pitch adjustment, Pocket Jam 5 makes it easier than ever to focus on mastering difficult passages.

The update also introduces a variety of workflow and quality of life improvements. Bookmark names now appear automatically while scrubbing across bookmark markers, making it easier to locate important sections in a song. Playlists can be easily duplicated, Pocket Jam remembers the last selected playlist and track between launches, and comprehensive undo and redo support has been added throughout the app. Tracks now also clearly indicate whether they originate from Apple Music or local audio files.

In addition to these major features, Pocket Jam 5 includes numerous refinements across the user interface, improving the overall experience while keeping the app fast, clean, and easy to use.

“When I acquired Pocket Jam, I immediately saw its potential as a practice tool for musicians,” said Martin Hoeller, founder of Blue Banana Software. **“This is the first major step in realizing that vision. The new waveform view and redesigned tempo trainer make practicing much more intuitive, while many smaller improvements throughout the app remove friction from everyday use. I’m excited to continue investing in Pocket Jam and building the best practice companion for musicians on Apple platforms.”**

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Learn more at https://bluebanana-software.com/PocketJam/.

Key Features in Pocket Jam 5

- New fully interactive waveform view for audio files
- Completely redesigned tempo trainer
- Improved loop controls
- New rotary pitch controls
- Playback position remains visible while looping
- Bookmark descriptions appear while scrubbing
- Tracks indicate whether they come from Apple Music or local files
- Playlist duplication
- Remembers the last selected playlist and track
- Full undo and redo support
- Numerous user interface improvements

Availability and Pricing

Pocket Jam 5 will be available on August 4, 2026, as a free update on the App Store for Mac, iPhone, and iPad.

Pocket Jam is available on the App Store for Mac, iPhone, and iPad, and requires macOS 14 or later or iOS 17 or later. The free trial includes one playlist with up to three songs and 30 seconds of playback. To unlock unlimited playlists, unlimited songs, and unrestricted playback, users can subscribe for $29.99 per year or $4.99 per month. A single subscription provides full access to Pocket Jam across all supported Apple devices.

About Pocket Jam

Pocket Jam is a practice companion for musicians that helps users learn songs more effectively through independent tempo and pitch adjustment, looping, bookmarks, playlists, and Apple Music integration. Acquired by Blue Banana Software in 2026, Pocket Jam is actively being developed with a focus on delivering a modern, native experience for musicians on Apple's platforms.

About Blue Banana Software

Blue Banana Software is an independent software studio founded by Martin Hoeller. The company develops thoughtfully designed native apps for Apple platforms, including In Your Face, Chimeful, and Tracktiq. Pocket Jam 5 marks the first major milestone in the app's next chapter under Blue Banana Software's stewardship.

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