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How to create custom ringtones in GarageBand 4.1.1

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Summary

With GarageBand 4.1.1 you can export your original song or original audio recordings, use Apple Loops, or use iLife jingles to create a custom ringtone for your iPhone.

Here's what you need to do it:

- GarageBand 4.1.1 or later
- iTunes 7.5 or later
- iPhone with software version 1.1.2 or later

Products Affected

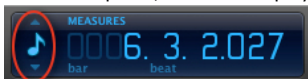
iPhone, iPhone 3G, GarageBand 4.1.1

To create a custom ringtone

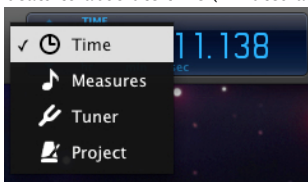
1. Click the Cycle button in the Transport controls.



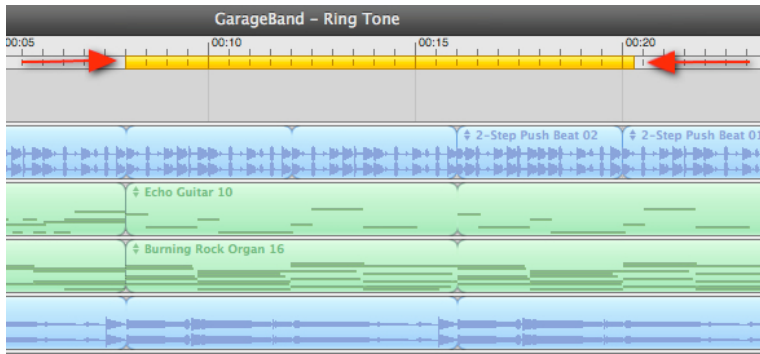
2. In the LCD panel, click the display mode button.



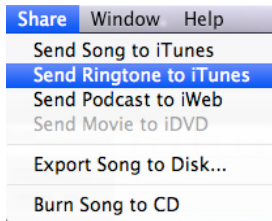
3. Choose Time from the pop-up menu. This will change the numerical display in the timeline from bars and beats to absolute time (minutes and seconds).



4. Adjust the cycle region in the timeline to cover the portion of the song you wish to use as a ringtone. You can adjust the length of the cycle region by grabbing and dragging either end. You can adjust the position of the cycle region by grabbing and dragging it from the middle. **Note:** This area must be 40 seconds or less in length.



5. Save the project with the name you want to use for your ringtone.
6. Choose **Send Ringtone to iTunes** from the **Share** menu.



7. In iTunes, use the Ringtones pane to select the ringtones you want to sync to iPhone.

If **Send Ringtone to iTunes** is dimmed, be sure you are using iTunes 7.5 or later. Choose **Software Update** from the **Apple ()** menu. If you receive a message on your iPhone indicating your ringtone was not copied, be sure you are using iPhone software version 1.1.2 or later.

Additional Information

For information on how to create ringtones for third-party phones, see [How to create customer ringtones for your third-party mobile phone](#). You can also learn more about purchased ringtones.



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