

Sequel App Cheatsheet (Sequel Pro/Ace)

A quick reference guide to common keyboard shortcuts, querying, data management, and schema operations in the Sequel database GUI application.



General & Navigation

File & Window Management

New Window
Close Window/Tab
New Tab
Reopen Last Closed Tab
Navigate between Tabs
Show Connection Manager
Open Location (Direct connection)
New Database Connection

Interface Navigation

Cmd + 1	Switch to Structure Tab
Cmd + 2	Switch to Content Tab
Cmd + 3	Switch to Relations Tab
Cmd + 4	Switch to Info Tab
Cmd + 5	Switch to Trigger Tab
Cmd + 6	Switch to Query Tab
Esc	Focus Table/Database List
Enter (on table)	Switch to Content Tab for selected table
Cmd + F	Find (in current tab)

Querying & Data

Query Editor Actions

Cmd + R	Run Query (or selected text)
Shift + Cmd + R	Run Current Query Statement (ends with ;)
Opt + Cmd + R	Run Query in New Tab
Cmd + /	Toggle Comment Line
Ctrl + Space	Show Auto-Completion
Shift + Cmd + F	Format Query
Cmd + K	Clear Console Output
Cmd + S	Save Query as File

Content Tab & Data Editing

Cmd + N	Add New Row
Cmd + Delete	Delete Selected Row(s)
Cmd + E	Edit Selected Cell
Enter (on cell)	Edit Cell (unless it's multiline text)
Shift + Enter (on cell)	Open Large Text Editor for Cell
Cmd + S	Save Changes (in Content tab)
Cmd + R	Refresh Data (in Content tab)
Double-click column header	Sort by Column

Schema & Structure

Database & Table Actions

Cmd + Shift + D	Add New Database
Cmd + N (in Structure tab)	Add New Table
Cmd + Shift + T	Duplicate Table
Cmd + Delete (on table/db)	Delete Table/Database
Cmd + I	Show Info (for selected item)
Cmd + R	Refresh Schema/Table List
Cmd + Shift + R	Flush Privileges
Opt + Cmd + L	Generate SELECT Query for Table

Column & Index Actions

Cmd + N (in Structure tab, columns list)	Add New Column
Cmd + Delete (on column)	Delete Selected Column
Cmd + N (in Structure tab, indexes list)	Add New Index
Cmd + Delete (on index)	Delete Selected Index
Double-click cell (column/index list)	Edit Cell Value
Shift + Cmd + C	Copy CREATE TABLE statement
Cmd + I (on column)	Show Column Info
Cmd + S (in Structure tab)	Apply Structure Changes

Tips & Tricks

Useful Shortcuts

Cmd + Opt + C	Copy Selected Rows as CSV
Shift + Cmd + C	Copy INSERT statement for selected rows
Cmd + J	Jump to Table/Database (type name)
Cmd + [/ Cmd +]	Indent/Outdent selected text (Query tab)
Opt + Click (in Query tab)	Multiple Cursors
Ctrl + T (on table name in query)	Open Table in new tab
Cmd + G	Find Next (after Cmd+F)
Shift + Cmd + G	Find Previous

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Efficiency Boosters

Filtering: Use the filter bar at the top of the Content tab (Cmd+F to focus) for quick filtering without writing SQL WHERE clauses. Supports wildcards (%,) and operators (>, <, =).

e.g., Name: John%, Age: >30

Table Info: The 'Info' tab (Cmd+4) provides quick summaries, status, and engine details for the selected table without running separate queries.

Custom Queries: Save frequently used queries for easy access using (File > Save Query) or (Cmd + S) in the Query tab.

Favorites: Add frequently used connections to your Favorites in the Connection Manager for one-click access.

Bundles: Explore or create Bundles (Bundles menu) for automating common tasks via scripts.

Connection Aliases: Give your connections clear aliases in the Connection Manager to distinguish them easily, especially for similar databases (e.g., 'Prod DB', 'Dev DB').

Troubleshooting & Info

View Processes: Check the 'Processes' tab (Cmd+7) to see running queries and kill slow ones.

Server Variables: Check the 'Server Variables' tab (Cmd+8) for server configuration details.

Status: The 'Status' tab (Cmd+9) shows server status and statistics.

Console: The console at the bottom of the Query tab shows query execution time and errors.

Slow Queries: Configure your database server to log slow queries, and use the Sequel app to analyze them (often found under specific status/variable settings).