# 🔧 Installation Instructions for maniFold Σ

## 🪟 For Windows Users

✅ *Tested on Windows 11 x64*

**1. Unzip the Plugin**

Extract the contents of `maniFold.VST3.WIN.zip` to a temporary location.

**2. Install the Plugin**

Copy the extracted `maniFold.vst3` file to your system's VST3 plugin folder.

**3. Locate Your VST3 Folder**

Check your DAW's plugin settings to confirm the VST3 path.
The default path is usually:

```
C:\Program Files\Common Files\VST3
```

## 🍏 For macOS Users

⚠️ *This plugin is unsigned and not notarized by Apple. It will require manual approval.*
I currently have no plans to pay for Apple's developer signature.

**1. Unzip and Copy the Plugins**

Move the following files into your system plugin folders:

- `maniFoldSigma.component` → `/Library/Audio/Plug-Ins/Components`
- `maniFoldSigma.vst3` → `/Library/Audio/Plug-Ins/VST3`

Make sure you are copying them into the **system-level** (not user-level) plugin folders.

**2. Enable the Plugins**

Before launching your DAW, you need to remove Apple's quarantine flag:

**Open Terminal:**

- Press `Command + Space`, type **Terminal**, and hit **Enter**.

**Run the following commands:**

```
sudo xattr -rd com.apple.quarantine "/Library/Audio/Plug-Ins/Components/maniFoldSigma.component"

sudo xattr -rd com.apple.quarantine "/Library/Audio/Plug-Ins/VST3/maniFoldSigma.vst3"
```

You will be prompted to enter your **macOS password** — type it and press **Enter** (note: the password is hidden as you type).