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Inventor Sam Clay presents a minimalist means to control multiple connected devices-- the Turn Touch, a small four-button remote carved out of solid mahogany, maple and mother of pearl.

The Turn Touch is programmable via Mac or iOS app, and uses wifi to control Hue lighting, smart locks, Nest thermostats and music systems. Users can program the remote to activate home automation scenes with a single button press, such as dimming the lights, lowering music volume and locking the door. One can also hold a button down to select a different home automation app, meaning the 4 button remote can offer 16 different controls (or more if one adds double-taps to the control equation).

Clay says the Turn Touch is drop and shock resistant, with construction held together using 8 strong magnets instead of screws. Users can open the remote to replace the entire circuit board for an upgrade with future wireless technology. In fact, should the remote make enough money on Kickstarter it will get IFTTT compatibility, and HomeKit support is in the works.

As mentioned the Turn Touch is currently available as a preorder on Kickstarter, where it already reached nearly double the $25000 pledge goal. Shipments are estimated to start from November 2017.

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