

Cherry MX Purple		
Switch Type: Tactile		Cherry
28	/35	Push Feel
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6	/10	Sound
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5	/10	Other
68	/100	Total

Notes Push Feel

Modeled directly after the stems used in Cherry MX Clear switches, the MX Purples have a medium strength tactile bump that is on the shorter end of width and located about 30% of the way into downstroke of the switch. Capped on either end of this stroke by dampened, thick housing collisions, the MX Purples are a well-insulated, incredibly inoffensive medium tactile switch that is very much in line with tropes common to Cherry's switches – including a leathery scratch feeling that is present even behind Cherry's MX2A lubrication process.

Wobble

With ever so slightly improved mold designs and tolerances in line with other Cherry MX2A switches, the MX Purples have a decent amount of E/W direction stem wobble and a lesser N/S direction wobble. It's not likely to bother most users except those most sensitive to wobble.

Sound

Much like the push feeling notes above, the Cherry MX Purples are on the much more muted, subtle, and dampened side and hardly make much noise at all. What sound is present besides the thuds at bottoming and topping out are that of a medium grained scratch that is leathery in tones and present at all points throughout the switch's stroke.

Context

For being as functionally similar to Cherry's MX Ergo Clear switches as these are, this initial short run of switches at a slightly elevated price point of \$0.61/switch feels uncharacteristically gimmicky for a Cherry switch release. While it has obvious historical implications and the potential for sustained growth in the future, as is the Cherry MX Purples just feel... non-special.

Other

The biggest value to be had of Cherry MX Purples is that their success signals a new, potentially more community collaborative era of Cherry ahead. Functionally these don't offer anything at all that we don't already have except for a chance at a greater future switch design potential.