



Gateron Longjing Tea

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Notes

Push Feel

Similar in construction to the classic Cherry MX Brown, the Gateron Longjing Tea switches are light weight tactiles with a small, soft, and mid-stroke tactile bump that is sandwiched between two long linear stretches. As a result of both housing material choice and the generous factory lubing on these switches, the housing collisions are deep and muted, though also a tiny bit drowned out as a result of the lube. In addition to also insulating the tactile bump feeling a bit, the lube also does somewhat even out bump strength differences seen across different switches.

Wobble

There is very little stem wobble in the Gateron Longjing Tea switches in either direction, though what little is present is primarily in the E/W direction. I doubt very few, if any users will have an issue with this metric when using them in their boards.

Sound

As a result of the extremely aggressive factory lubing on the Longjing Tea tactiles, they are overall quite quiet and have very deep, bass heavy bottom outs when not seemingly altogether silenced. Despite this lubing which clearly removes any trace of scratch from these switches, it also doesn't help the occasional switch in the batch from exhibiting a creaking like ping sound – something which is a bit disappointing to say the least.

Context

Priced at \$0.35 per switch and available from a wide range of vendors, Gateron knows damn well that these are going to be successful lightweight linear switches and will be manufactured accordingly over time. Despite this, though, the marketing around them could be a bit more focused as pushing these as “the” lightweight tactiles of the future on their end...

Other

Modern Gateron quality and pricing meets an under served classic tactile switch archetype. There's hardly anything inventive here, though also hardly anything to take sincere issue with.

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