

Keychron Silent Banana		
Type: Silent Tactile		Outemu
29	/35	Push Feel
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6	/10	Other
80	/100	Total

Notes Push Feel

Punching right out of the gate, the Keychron Silent Banana switches are a long stroke, medium-strength silent tactile that occupies the majority of its stroke before the soft, dampened housing collisions at either end of the switch. Using Outemu's dampening pads and factory lubing, there's hardly anything else to these switches save for the occasional ping or squish of strokes not just quite landing right. Otherwise, on average these feel exactly like what you'd want in an insulated, well-constructed silent tactile.

Wobble

Present more so in the N/S direction than the E/W one, the Keychron Silent Bananas have a small but not unnoticeable amount of stem wobble. Most people will have a hard time taking issue with how these feel.

Sound

Save for the occasional squish or sticking sound towards the bottom out that is also noted above in the push feeling notes, the Silent Banana switches just don't make a sound. These are among the most silent, insulated, and self-contained silent switches I've ever heard and the fact that they manage to do so without incorporating stem leg/leaf interference noise is quite impressive.

Context

Priced at \$0.28 per switch and available from arguably the most prolific pusher of prebuilt, better-than-gamer-brand mechanical keyboards in Keychron, these are about as good of a contextual position as any switch could be in. The only problem that prevents them from otherwise running the market as *the* silent tactile switches is a lack of substantial marketing on Keychron's part and a tendency to move through their offerings on a routine basis.

Other

While hardly innovative from the last time Gazzew sold these silent tactiles, if it's not broke don't fix it; I have to hand it to Keychron for pushing out quality switches to the masses.