



Kailh x Melgeek Hornet HE

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Switch Type: Linear		Kailh
27	/35	Push Feel
17	/25	Wobble
5	/10	Sound
8	/20	Context
6	/10	Other
63	/100	Total

Notes

Push Feel

With a ~55 gf bottom out, the Kailh x Melgeek Hronet HE switches are the lightest HE switches of a series specifically included in the prebuilt options for the (now sold out) MelGeek Made68 HE Magnetic Keyboard. Despite directly attempting to compete with Gateron's latest and greatest of HE switches, the Hornet HEs are surprisingly underwhelming from Kailh and feature not only a subtle, sticky sort of scratch but also snappy, slightly sharpened bottom outs that swing wildly in feeling depending on how hard one is typing on these switches.

Wobble

Among HE switches, which are often the latest and most advanced designs that many of these companies put out, the Hornet HEs have a noticeable and slightly problematic amount of N/S and E/W wobble, which is likely not helped by their fairly light overall spring weight.

Sound

The noted inconsistency and swing in bottom out feeling of the Hornet HE switches is infinitely more noticeable in the sound of these switches. Under normal, slower typing speeds their bottom outs are actually fairly consistent sounding with a mid-tone snapping sound that isn't too high or low pitched. However, even slight increases or decreases in WPM, or changes in the case that these switches are in, do pretty wildly swing the overall tone of these switches.

Context

While the Made68 HE Keyboard was a seemingly good offering for the technology it boasted at its price point, Melgeek is really historically bad about their one-and-done release offerings making it unlikely that these will ever be available again, much less something that is well documented moving forward in time.

Other

These switches are somewhat interesting insofar that they are compatible on PCBs with Gateron-made HE switches, suggesting a larger, future HE cross-compatibility chart that is to be

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