



Diamond Avalon

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Switch Type: Linear		Unknown
26	/35	Push Feel
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8	/10	Other
73	/100	Total

Notes

Push Feel

Coming with the slightest amount of factory lube on them, the Diamond Avalons are a technically smooth linear switch with a pair of thin, plasticky feeling housing collisions at either end. While the average switch is, well, fairly average in this regard, there is some batch-wide variability in the topping out which feels slightly more sticky in some switches than in others. This, as well as the housing collision thinness, is especially apparent at higher actuation speeds.

Wobble

The Diamond Avalon switches have a barely noticeable amount of equal magnitude stem wobble in the N/S and E/W directions. It's unlikely that this amount of wobble will bother most users and even those who are a bit more perceptive of such.

Sound

Like dozens, if not hundreds of switches before them, the Diamond Avalon switches have a sound that mimics their push feeling notes above. These switches are on the louder side with a high pitched, thin, and plasticky set of housing collisions that grow in noticeability the faster that they are typed on. The sticking phenomena at the point of topping out is especially noticeable to the ears as well, though maybe only affects 10-20% of the switches in any given batch.

Context

Even though these were marketed a bit steeply and in limited fashion via a preorder at \$0.69 per switch, these switches have gained a large amount of community attention and are already leading to spin offs of their unique shape in other colorways. If these switches will be supported again through future sales or if they will hold up to the tides of innovation is left a bit uncertain, though these have a real shot at being a switch that is remembered for years to come.

Other

While these switches definitely could have done a bit more functionally within the design space, the novelty in the 'diamond' shaped housings is more than worth its due credit here.

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