

Gateron Azure Dragon V2		
Switch Type: Tactile		Gateron
27	/35	Push Feel
19	/25	Wobble
5	/10	Sound
13	/20	Context
6	/10	Other
70	/100	Total

Notes Push Feel

The updated Gateron Azure Dragons are certainly a bit of a flashback to the cutting edge of tactile switches a year before their release. Snappy, highest bump with a long pole bottoming out that is sharp and forceful, with an even stronger, more poppy return. While the factory lubrication is as good as to be expected for newer, premium-line Gateron switches, these are certainly a more heavy handed 67g tactile switch.

Wobble

Even with mold updates to the top housings to introduce the 'lens mold' for better LED adaptability, the Azure Dragon V2s have held onto the premium Gateron stem wobble that is barely present, on par with other releases, and unlikely to bother those with average builds.

Sound

For the improvements to molds and designs that were made here, the sound definitely didn't feel as if it improved much in these newest Azure Dragons. While there is no scratch sound, the tactile bumps have a sort of inconsistent stickiness to them that causes some switches across the batch I have to sound ever so slightly differently pitched. Alongside this, as well, there is some rather sharp and pointed housing collisions at either end.

Context

Still priced at the same point as the original V1 Azure Dragons, this newest iteration sees some mold and material changes as well as an upgraded premium packaging that is evident in and of itself that Gateron is not just updating without much purpose. That being said, though, it doesn't appear these changes necessarily improved as much as they had perhaps intended for.

Other

While perhaps slightly under-executed and especially in comparison to the original releases, the distinctive, specific, and well considered mold and design changes by Gateron are a fairly uncommon practice and one that should be rewarded more from switch manufacturers.