



Kailh Box Quicksand Gold

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Switch Type: Tactile		Kailh
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Notes

Push Feel

Certainly, the most interesting of the late 2021 OEM-esque Box trio from Kailh, the Quicksand Golds are an incredibly soft tactile Box switch with a 45 g. activation spring weight and a mid-stroke, faint tactile bump. While the bump size, itself, isn't exactly problematic, the scratch throughout the stroke as well as the general mushiness and lack of clarity of the bump makes it out to be well within that 'this is just a linear switch' meme territory.

Wobble

Much like in their sister switch releases, the stem wobble in these versus previous Kailh Box switches seems to have improved, but not by much. There is a likely problematic amount of stem wobble in the N/S direction with a lesser, but still clearly noticeable amount in the E/W direction.

Sound

Given the sheer lack of strength of the tactile bump, its not really surprising that it doesn't particularly contribute much to the overall sound of the switch. What is left is decently scratchy, occasionally pingy, and inconsistent sounding switches with respect to typing speed. At the least, the scratch and ping aren't necessarily overbearing and the housing collisions seem balanced regardless of the typing speed they're used at.

Context

While these saw very little marketing as well as community recognition at large, it's good to know Kailh is still attempting to improve things such as "the lifespan of these switches". But for all the work, these aren't much better in price, performance, or availability otherwise.

Other

On some level I do applaud Kailh's choice to shoot for a super low-strength tactile switch here as they certainly aren't the most common of choices in the Holy Panda era. That being said, they really need to improve this as I was left quite disappointed by the final result.

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