

Alpaca V2		
32	/35	Push Feel
22	/25	Wobble
9	/10	Sound
16	/20	Context
8	/10	Other
87	/100	Total

Notes

Push Feel

The only real detractor I can hold against this switch is the ever so slightly thinner topping out feeling due to a polycarbonate top housing. Other than that, these check all the boxes for a linear switch in terms of smoothness, consistency, and a deep, thick bottoming out feeling.

Wobble

These are truly starting to push the bounds of stem wobble in terms of how absolutely little there can be. It's already at a state with the Alpaca V2s that it's virtually unnoticeable with keycaps on, but it could be just ever so slightly better. As well, the potential for these top housings to deform over time when opening and thus causing top housing wobble hurts the score just a bit.

Sound

These are currently near perfect in terms of what is wanted from a linear switch – they are free from noise in scratch and spring ping with a deep and muted bottoming out noise. If these were just ever so slightly deeper on the upstroke, they'd be perfect.

Context

While the V2s are relatively new, they are an improvement upon and direct replacement of an already widely available, widely recognized, extremely well priced linear option from the current 'best in the game' for linear switches. You simply can't ask for much more other than time to further cement these as one of the best modern linear switches of all time.

Other

Only time can further drive up the historical importance and general community status of these switches. If the V2 Alpacas can generate the same staying power and consistency over 2021 like the V1s, this score can only go up.