

## Nintendo switch snags - BBC news report

The Nintendo Switch is Nintendo's new home/portable console and it was a great success, selling at least 1.5 million units in its first two weeks of release and has pleased many die-hard fans. I'm heavily enjoying my Switch and so far it's smooth sailing! But I hit a snag and so have thousands of other people. From dead pixels to the bad connectivity, here are the main concerns that we share with the Switch. You're going to want to sit down.

There are plenty of issues involving the actual console. The biggest problem is the nice, noticeable scratches you might get from putting your Switch in and out of the dock that charges and 'switches' the Switch to the tv. The problem is that this is just a cheap piece of plastic with some USB ports on it with no kind of padding or smooth surface inside it so the console would go in nicely without any scratches. This has led to an outrage in the community. Everyone that has broadcast this issue onto YouTube has advised - and I will - to buy a screen protector if you pick up the Switch!



Another one of the serious problems with the Switch is the controllers occasionally losing connection. This is a somewhat rare occurrence. When I got this issue, it drove me mad, until I just restarted the console and it fixed itself. People have reported that it cancels during play or when something is blocking it. Some annoyed theorists are thinking that they lowered the Bluetooth range as much as possible, which would explain the 20 hour battery life. I should also mention that any Bluetooth device that isn't for the Switch, is not compatible with the Switch, so that means no one can use their own wireless headphones.

Here's where I should discuss a big danger to the console before I go through the nit-picks. The skins. These are mainly vinyl stickers that stick onto your Switch and Joy-Cons to make it look different. Do not buy skins anywhere from anyone. DBrand, the leading skin manufacturers, have experimented and told us; "Having completed the JoyCon skins, everything looked phenomenal. Then, an issue arose... After removing the skin, it was obvious that the coating on the JoyCons do not play well with any kind of adhesive..." - @dbrand. This is a clear message that it is dangerous to use skins and that you shouldn't buy them.

The final issue that EVERYONE has discussed at least once is the deserted Switch library. If you like The Legend Of Zelda or are curious about all the 10/10s it has under its belt, go ahead and buy it. It'll consume hours of your life. But after a while you'll ask yourself, "Is this it? What other games are there?" When you install the update and delve into the eshop you might be disappointed. The only games that are out are the main 3 launch games (Bomberman, Zelda and 1,2 Switch), several Neo-Geo games (arcade ports) and the rest are indie games (not big games, some are released elsewhere). People are heavily turned off just because of the lack of games and have left it alone until more games come out. Another factor is that the new Legend of Zelda has a release on the last console, so people don't see the point of buying a Switch. At least there are some big games that are coming soon that have us hyped!

In a nutshell, if you have a spare £400, pick up a Switch and some games. If you don't, then take a hard think about it and maybe ask your parents for Christmas.