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Thread: [\[Headset\] Looking for a good gaming headset](#)

Aura - October 10, 2015, 6:02 pm

Hi everyone ?

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If it helps, I live in Canada (Québec more precisely), although I don't mind ordering online if there's any good deals.

Thank you in advance for your suggestions!

Breeze26509 - October 10, 2015, 6:08 pm

You could look through here:

[GL1TCH3D's Headphone Sanctuary!](#) by [GL1TCH3D](#)

And you can ask [GL1TCH3D](#) if you have any questions :)

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zurru - October 11, 2015, 12:48 am

Honestly I'd recommend just a good studio quality pair of headphones and investing in a mic. A good pair of headphones last way longer than most headsets :)

skelly76 - October 11, 2015, 4:46 pm

If you just want a decent headset get the Logitech 930 or G35. I don't know if Newegg or Amazon ship to Canada but they are super cheap on their sites. The G35 is amazing for me and the mic quality is in the higher tier for headsets.

Some people will suggest getting a headset, then a mod mic but that's pricy and you don't need it.

GL1TCH3D - December 2, 2015, 3:01 pm

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First thing to understand is that any USB driven headsets will have the processing done out side of the computer.

This can be good or bad. Good because if the company isn't a bunch of tards they can actually tune it to be decent.

Bad because most don't care AKA Turtle beach, razer, etc.

Right now the best headsets on the market (best headsets straight out of the box that is) are from Audio Technica and Sennheiser, both using technology developed for audiophiles in their gaming headsets.

Otherwise an alternative options is just good headphones and a mic.

Antlion modic - \$30

AKG K553 - \$100

(Optional Soundcard) Asus Xonar U3 - \$30

(Higher in CDN of course)

While I don't use the U3 myself, I've owned it I but still use the modmic and the K551 (slightly different version of the K553).

Currently using the astell and kern AK240 as my soundcard

TRAUMA - December 2, 2015, 3:06 pm

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Yup, this \$100 headset beats any other gaming headset IMO (Sound Wise, not mic) and I've legit used almost everything.

Comes with great warranty as well.

Aura - December 2, 2015, 3:54 pm

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Wireless are a pain in the ass and you get a slight delay (Nothing serious) you also have to factor in charging every day etc.

Aura - December 2, 2015, 4:22 pm

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LOL THE STRUGGLES.

I feel you!

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Freebooter - December 3, 2015, 7:25 am

Aura have look at this Recoil Winders item that can be use for headphone cord management and lot more.

"Recoil Winders"

<http://www.recoilwinders.com/>

SIM-2223238 - December 3, 2015, 7:25 am

No.

The gaming headset looks for YOU!

GL1TCH3D - December 3, 2015, 10:10 am

(Dec 3, 2015 01:54 AM)Aint Giving Up Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Again

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I'd probably give a slight advantage to the new Audio Technica headphones in the same price range

AG1 and ADG1

Tranquility - December 4, 2015, 7:32 am

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Kyriall - December 7, 2015, 12:05 am

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Tranquility - December 8, 2015, 4:19 pm

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After searching for days I can't find the AKG K551/K553 anywhere near the pricing range you said on the first page of this topic (\$100). Been through shops from my country, neighbouring countries and the great Amazon(dot)com. Probably going to sit this one out until my headset really stops working.

Thanks for all the info so far though!