So far it was a great deal...

I have been using a newly bought Acer aspire 15.6" laptop since almost 2 months. It seems to have everything that one needs at a price point of about 23k. I do see a lot of negative cribs from the previous reviewers, but all of those problems are easily solvable and the reviewers simply did not know what to do. Read on.

PROs:

- 1. It has a user serviceable back cover for changing the hard drive to an SSD or to add and subtract ram. Two screws are all there is to remove the back panel to change the HDD and RAM.
- 2. It had one stick of 4 GB DDR4 ram. I think previous productions of the 6th generation CPU had DDR3 as a few reviewers have mentioned, but the new ones after 2017 are surely DDR4. Remember that the 6th generation can take both DDR3 and DDR4, so the manufacturer probably changed it in 2017. A Little bit of your luck there. And yes, either way, there is one slot free to add more memory.
- 3. The sound is just amazing. Proper stereo with two small speakers in the bottom.
- 4. The LED monitor is as good as any I have seen in the 20k-30k range. Of course not a full HD, but pretty bright and clear.
- 5. The battery is awesome, as I type this; it is showing me 7 hours left on the battery. Do note that I get a little more gain because I swapped the mechanical hard drive with an efficient SSD.
- 6. All the drivers for Windows 8.1 and Windows 10 are on the DVD that comes with the laptop. If you manually search for the drivers in the DVD, they are all there and work great on Windows 8.1 x64, but the Acer tool when run says they are only for Windows 10 and shows nothing for W8.1. I only needed to download the VGA display driver for the Intel 520 from the Intel site.
- 7. No noise at all. The fan is almost zero noise, seems like it is hard to believe that an i3 is running there, but then at 15w, the 6th generation i3 processor is really cool.
- 8. Unlike what most reviewers are saying, the touchpad works perfectly in any OS. Just press F2 at boot time to change the bios setting for the touch bad to basic from advanced and it works everywhere. Once the drivers are in, then you can revert back to advanced if you need gestures. I never turned it back; a fully functioning touchpad is more useful than a gesture-driven one for me.

Cons:

- 1. Internal battery. I just don't like those as they tend to go bad over the years.
- Keyboard has some strange layout. The enter key is smaller than I would like and the power button is actually the top rightmost button on the existing keyboard! And that's it.

This laptop is amazing to use. I really appreciate its performance and its battery performance. With a 120 GB SSD upgrade, the laptop is flying. Cool as a cucumber. And feels great in the hand. I will say anyone interested to buy this product without any hesitate and without thinking about it twice.