

The Samsung smartphone offering goes mid-tier at CES 2020 as the S. Korean giant announces the Galaxy S10 Lite and Note10 Lite, stripped-down versions of the 2019 flagship models with a more accessible pricetag.



“The Galaxy S and Galaxy Note devices have met consumer wants and demands around the world. These devices represent our continuous effort to deliver industry leading innovations, from performance and power to intelligence and services,” the company says. “The Galaxy S10 Lite and Galaxy Note10 Lite will introduce those distinct key premium features that make up a Galaxy S and Galaxy Note experience.”

Both S10 Lite and Note10 Lite are, perhaps confusingly, 6.4-inch handsets with a 2400x1080 resolution Super AMOLED display. The S10 Lite is slightly more high-end, with a Snapdragon 855 processor, while the Note10 Lite carries a Samsung-built Exynos 8895 chipset. In addition, both feature 6/8GB RAM and 128GB storage, as well as a 4500mAh battery.

So what makes the two devices different? The camera, primarily. While both devices features a rear-facing triple-camera array, the S10 Lite offers a 5MP f/2.4 macro lens, 48MP F2.0 wide-angle lens featuring "Super Steady OIS" (a feature the Note 10 Lite lacks) and a 12MP f/2.2 ultra-wide camera complete with 123-degree angle lens. Meanwhile the Note 10 Lite camera array consists of a 12MP f/2.2 ultra-wide, 12MP f/1.7 wide-angle lens with dual-pixel technology and OIS and a 12MP f/2.4 telephoto lens with OIS.

In addition, the Note 10 Lite includes stylus input through the S Pen. First introduced with the 2018 Note 9, the S Pen connects with the smartphone vlue Bluetooth Low-Energy (BLE) and allows for presentation navigation, video content control or photo snapping, all with a simple click. One can also simply use it jot down notes on the Samsung Notes app.

Samsung is still to announce when the two smartphones will be available, but the Galaxy S10 Lite comes in Prism White, Prism Black and Prism Blue while Galaxy Note10 Lite comes in Aura Glow, Aura Black and Aura Red.

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