

## Motorola Nexus 6 Review

The Motorola Nexus 6 may seem like just a larger version of the Moto X, but it has quite a few different features and some noteworthy updates that anyone who is shopping for a new phone will want to take a close look at. A “phablet” smartphone, the Nexus 6 is the first mobile device to use Android 5.0 Lollipop, offering an enhanced way of experiencing all of the updates Google has come out with.

### **Design**

One of the most noticeable things about the Nexus 6 is its sheer size. Some people might find this phone to be a bit unwieldy, as it requires two hands to operate it without struggling too much. Although it is a fairly large phone, it does offer a nice grip, which is definitely important because of its length and width. This phone’s BendGate-free aluminum metal frame as well as the subtle curve in the back make for a comfortable overall feel. The Nexus 6 doesn’t have any physical buttons and has contoured sides that measure as thin as 0.15 inches.

### **Interface**

The Android interface that Nexus phones use is definitely one of the main reasons to buy one. The Nexus 6 runs Android 5.0 Lollipop, and it features a flat but layered theme throughout its various menus and apps. This new interface has eliminated a few of the unnecessary visual aspects, but the color is dialed up for a much crisper overall look. The menus with this interface aren’t as dark as they were with Android 4.4 KitKat, so users will be sure to appreciate the new vibrant colors this one phone has to offer.

### **Performance**

The Nexus 6 uses a 2.7GHz Qualcomm Snapdragon 805 quad-core processor as well as an Adreno 420 GPU and 3GB of RAM. When it comes to sheer performance, you get exactly what you would expect from a higher-end smartphone. This phone has the CPU power to provide users with all the speed they need as well as a GPU that makes all of the colors and graphics pop right off the screen. While some phones try to compensate for weaker specs with a larger size and sleek design, this one has both.

### **Camera**

The camera on the Nexus 6 has a new Sony IMX214 CMOS sensor along with an f/2.0 aperture and optical image stabilization for clearer and crisper pictures, even when shooting moving targets. It is 13-megapixels, similar to the OnePlus One camera, and is just about the best you could expect from a modern smartphone. While some people may complain that it doesn’t have

as many megapixels as other phones, the new CMOS sensor and other features more than make up for it.

## **Conclusion**

The Nexus 6 is a great but not-so-little smartphone that has a lot to offer in terms of its hardware as well as interface and exterior design. Although some people may find the size of this phone or “phablet” to be off-putting, it is still designed for optimal grip and its myriad of features and interface improvements should be enough to make up for whatever reservations consumers have about its size. Those who are shopping for a new smartphone will definitely find that this one is worth considering.