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SimplyMEPIS 6.0

Of all the recent Linux distros, few have been as successful as MEPIS. MEPIS appeared out of nowhere in May 2003, and by September 2003, it had jumped to 10th on the Distrowatch list of the most popular Linux distributions.

The reason for the success of MEPIS is its reputation for smart simplicity. With MEPIS, you'll find what you need without a lot of messy edges.

What's Inside?

Starting with this release, MEPIS is based on Ubuntu. SimplyMEPIS 6.0 is 75% Ubuntu maintained. Out of the remaining 25%, most of the packages are still maintained by Debian, but, according to the MEPIS developers, some are maintained directly

WORKING WITH MEPIS

If you like working with MEPIS, you may wish to purchase a subscription, which entitles you to updates and other benefits. To subscribe to MEPIS, or to make a US$ 5 contribution to the MEPIS development project, see the MEPIS store *http://store.mepis.com*.

DEFECTIVE DVD?

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by MEPIS, providing an effect they call "The Magic of MEPIS." Special MEPIS features include a custom installer and tweaks to many standard tools for smoother operations.

MEPIS comes with a security-patched Linux 2.6.15 kernel from Ubuntu Security. You'll also find KDE 3.5.3, OpenOffice 2.0.2, Kontact 1.2.3, and Firefox 1.504. The Synaptic 0.57.8 package manager acts as a front-end to the Debian-based apt package tool.

The DVD

This DVD includes a full version of SimplyMEPIS 6, plus the contents of the MEPIS Extras CDs. The Extras CDs contain hundreds of extra applications not found in the standard CD-sized SimplyMEPIS. Extras include

HELP & SUPPORT

For MEPIS support, try the MEPIS community forum: *http://www.mepis.org/forum*. You'll find some Howtos on MEPIS topics at *http://www.mepis.org/node/1083*.
Another important source of MEPIS configuration and troubleshooting advice is the MEPIS Lover's site at *http://www.mepislovers.com*.

documentation, games, servers, software development tools, and language support.

Try It!

Many Linux users have started up SimplyMEPIS and never gone back. The very practical SimplyMEPIS is easy to install and even easier to use. MEPIS is designed to appeal to beginners, but even if you're not a beginner, you'll appreciate the ease of navigation.

The Extras included with this DVD make this version of MEPIS especially appealing to advanced users who want the simplicity of MEPIS with the power to integrate additional servers, admin apps, and developer tools. There has never been a better time to try SimplyMEPIS. Plug it in and enjoy!

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Install to your hard disk or run from DVD

- "Desktop on Steroids"
  (Gerald Cortez, radztech.blogspot.com)
- Risk-free testing with live boot option
- Hard disk installation at a mouse click
- Includes handy MEPIS configuration tools
- Comes with additional 1,900 packages from the MEPIS Extras pool

4GB DVD edition

DVD exclusive