

A Feisty Ubuntu Installation Checklist

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Ubuntu's Feisty Fawn OS was released in April this year and I was very happy to observe a noticable performance improvement when I installed it onto Michelle's laptop. Having been a Debian user from way back and with full confidence in the apt package management, I decided to upgrade my Edgy desktop straight away. Unfortunately, a couple of niggling bugs appeared.

Here is my short todo list for post-fiesty-installation to work around these problems.

1. Install Automatix2 [1]
2. Install multimedia codecs and Microsoft fonts from Automatix2
3. Fix /etc/hosts to workaround slow gnome-terminal startups [2]
4. Install scanbuttond to workaround broken usb scanner support [3]

On the whole, the most annoying change to Feisty was the new usb system which broke my scanner. It also caused problems with Michelle's camera which took a bit of fixing. I never had these problems on Edgy.

It would be a real shame if Ubuntu developed a reputation for being unstable. On the other hand, however, its nice to have access to the latest toys and performance improvements.

References

- [1] <http://www.getautomatix.com/wiki/index.php?title=Installation>
- [2] <https://bugs.launchpad.net/ubuntu/+source/gnome-desktop/+bug/94048>
- [3] <http://www.ubuntugeek.com/fixing-a-scanner-broken-by-the-feisty-upgrade.html>

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