

# Back From The Wilderness With Mandriva One 2010

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With so many exciting new Linux distributions being released in the annual autumnal rush, you might wonder why I chose Mandriva 2010 (<http://www2.mandriva.com/>) to get back into the swing of Linux things.

I have the ISOs for Fedora 12, Ubuntu 9.10 and Linux Mint 8 sat on my hard drive, but I think it was hearing about Mandriva's excellent interpretation of the KDE 4.3.2 desktop environment that sealed it.

I have to confess that once the initial shine wore off, KDE 4 left me quite cold; I've little time for its side-scrolling kicker-style menu, and don't even get me started on those desktop-cluttering widgoids, or whatever they're called ([http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Plasma\\_\(KDE\)](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Plasma_(KDE))).

But Mandriva 2010 has gone a long way toward changing my mind about KDE 4, at least the One variant I installed on my recently-acquired desktop test rig has.

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