

Looking for a Polished Linux Desktop? Consider KDE

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In the world of Linux desktops, Ubuntu's Unity and GNOME have tended to dominate the headlines in recent months, but there's another contender that many consider an even better choice.

It's KDE, a desktop environment for Linux that's available for PCs, netbooks, and--as of just recently--smartphones and mobile devices.

Part of a family of free and open source software that also includes a development platform and a suite of applications, KDE is the desktop countless Linux users around the world prefer. In fact, among free software projects, the KDE community of users and developers is second in size only to that of the Linux kernel itself, according to the project's website.

KDE is also the default desktop in numerous Linux distributions, including openSUSE, the Kubuntu derivative of Ubuntu, and Mandriva 2011.

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