

openSUSE 12.1 (GNOME) Review

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The last time I used openSUSE was about 2 years ago (edition 11.2) and I wasn't impressed enough to keep using it. But J.A. Watson of ZDNet.co.uk told me this new edition is much improved, so I decided to check it out.

Installation

OpenSUSE uses YaST as its installation tool. It starts off by asking for preferred language, keyboard layout, and having you confirm the License Agreement. Then it asks you to confirm your timezone. Partitioning is next, and openSUSE shows a set of defaults that look pretty good ? the space for the root partition seems a good size. Having a separate `/home` is checked by default, but you can uncheck if you want. If you don't like the defaults, you can create, edit, or import your own setup.

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