



SABAYON LINUX 3.4

The emphasis on out-of-the-box functionality means that Sabayon includes a broad collection of pre-installed multimedia codecs and drivers.

Updates

Sabayon 3.4 comes with Linux kernel 2.6.22, as well as KDE 3.5.7 and Gnome 2.18.2. You'll also find enhanced virtualization tools and support for the Ext4 file system. Version 3.4 also provides Windows-ready NTFS read and write support and the Wine-Doors utility, which lets you easily install certain Windows applications on your Linux system.

Laptops and Multimedia

The Sabayon project says their latest Linux is "the most laptop aware" version of Sabayon yet, with more testing for portable environments, better laptop optimization, and improved wireless support. Multimedia extras include tools such as the Elisa Media Center technology preview.

Topping off this latest offering from the Sabayon team is a rich collection of games, including FlightGear, Battle of Wesnoth, and Second Life support.

Try It!

The practical and user-friendly Sabayon Linux regularly finishes in the top 5 for downloads at the popular Distrowatch website. Sabayon comes with codecs and drivers that could save you hours of

configuration time, and the quick release cycle means the next update is always just around the corner.

We hope you enjoy this month's Sabayon Linux 3.4e DVD ■

What Sabayon Isn't

The Sabayon developers describe what Sabayon is by describing what it isn't. According to the project website, Sabayon:

- is **NOT** a binary-only distribution. Sabayon policy does not support the idea of forking the Gentoo package management system. If you don't like compiling source code, wait for the next release. You can update your system by running the Sabayon installer and choosing the *Upgrade* option. Sabayon release cycles are very short. In you just want to keep your computer secure, use the *glsa-check* utility.
- is **NOT** developed with politics in mind. If we choose one application over another similar tool, it is just because it works better with our OOTB philosophy.
- is **NOT** company driven. We have always been users, then developers. That's our power and our view. We only want something that works without Microsoft and their superficial operating system implementation.
- is **NOT** Ubuntu. We don't try to mimic any other distribution. We just take the best from each one.

System Requirements

Processor:	i586 class or later (starting from AMD K5 and Intel Pentium).
Memory:	at least 192MB (256MB recommended).
Free Disk Space:	10GB free space for a permanent installation.
Hardware:	OpenGL-capable graphics card; DDC-capable monitor.



Figure 1: The Sabayon installer offers an easy upgrade option.



Figure 2: You'll find a convenient collection of desktop tools.



HIGHLIGHTS

Linux kernel 2.6.22
X.org 7.3
Gnome 2.18.2
KDE 3.5.7
glibc 2.5
Metisse (Preview) 0.4
Evolution 2.10
Firefox 2.0
GIMP 2.3.15
OpenOffice 2.2
Gstreamer 0.10.12
F-Spot 0.3.5
K3b 1.0
Kaffeine 0.8.4
Totem 2.18.1
RealPlayer 10.0.8
Elisa (Preview) 0.1.6
Mono 1.2.3
Perl 5.8.8
Python 2.4.4
Ruby 1.8.6

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

- [1] Sabayon website: <http://www.sabayonlinux.org/>
- [2] Sabayon Planet blog: <http://planet.sabayonlinux.org/>
- [3] Wine-Doors: <http://www.wine-doors.org/wordpress/>
- [4] Fluendo media center: <http://elisa.fluendo.com/>

HELP & SUPPORT

Community support is available through the Sabayon forum: <http://www.sabayonlinux.org/forum>. You'll find additional tips, documentation, and articles at the Sabayon wiki: <http://wiki.sabayonlinux.org>.



Figure 3: Sabayon also supports a number of virtualization alternatives.

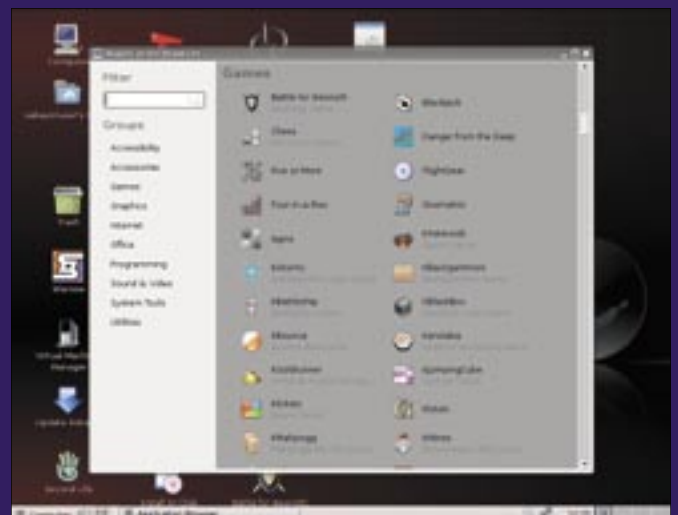


Figure 4: Try your luck with the rich collection of pre-installed games.