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Installation Instructions for Solaris™ 8

SPARC™ Platform Edition



1 Are you ready to install the software?

Note: A minimal Solaris 8 installation requires at least 64 Mbytes of memory and at least 1.7 Gbytes of disk space. The Solaris software might be pre-installed on your system. For information, see your hardware documentation.

- a. Determine the host name of the system you are installing.
- b. Determine the language and locales you intend to use on the system.
- c. If you intend to include the system in a network, gather the following information as well:
 - Host IP address
 - Subnet mask
 - Type of name service (DNS, NIS, or NIS+, for example)
 - Domain name
 - Host name of server
 - Host IP address of name server

2 Choose a method to install the software in your product box.

- If you are installing Solaris software over a network, read the *Solaris Advanced Installation Guide*.
- If you are installing Solaris software on a single system from a local CD-ROM drive, choose one of the following methods:

With this method ...	You can ...	You can't ...
Solaris 8 Installation CD	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Install several CDs of the software in your product box at once from a single, browser-based tool• Install all the software with a default option, or pick only the software you want to install with a customize option	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Upgrade from a pre-Solaris 7 version of the Solaris software• Customize the software installations at the lowest levels (for example, selecting or deselecting packages)
Solaris Interactive Installation Program (on Solaris 8 Software 1 of 2 CD), followed by the co-packaged software installation programs	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Install the Solaris Software CD first, then install the co-packaged software separately• Upgrade from a version earlier than the Solaris 7 release• Customize the software installation at the lowest levels (for example, selecting or deselecting packages)• Install on systems with the minimum hardware requirements specified for the Solaris software	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Install several CDs of the software in your product box (Solaris software and some co-packaged software) at once from a single tool

3 Boot the system from the appropriate CD.

If your system is ...	And you want to use ...	Then ...
New, out-of-the-box	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Solaris 8 Installation CD	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Insert the Solaris 8 Installation CD and turn on the system
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Solaris Interactive Installation Program	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Insert the Solaris 8 Software 1 of 2 CD and turn on the system
Already running	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Solaris 8 Installation CD	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Insert the Solaris 8 Installation CD• Get your system to the ok prompt pressing both the Stop and A keys at the same time• Type: <code>boot cdrom</code>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Solaris Interactive Installation Program	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Insert the Solaris 8 Software 1 of 2 CD• Get your system to the ok prompt by pressing both the Stop and A keys at the same time• Type: <code>boot cdrom</code>

4 Follow the instructions on the screen.

If you are using the Solaris 8 Installation CD, that process can install software contained on the Solaris 8 Software CDs, the Solaris 8 Languages CD, the Solaris 8 Documentation CDs, and the Software Supplement for the Solaris 8 Operating Environment CD.

5 Install additional software from other CDs.

- If you are using the Solaris 8 Installation CD, you can install software from some additional CDs when the installation process prompts you to do so.
- If you are using the Solaris interactive installation method, read the *Roadmap* to find how to install other software in your product box after the Solaris software is installed.

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