

Re: ES or Fedora

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Quoting Robert Canary <rwcanary@xxxxxxxxxxxx>:

I have a couple new servers I was needing to put online.

I have always built, compiled, and setup my own Linux boxes, the most recent ones I did so using RedHat 7.2. and recompiled most of the software to make it fit what I wanted.

However, the options available today will suit me just fine without a lot of recompiling.

So why would take Fedora over ES, or vice versa?

Fedora:

- free
- bleeding edge (less stable, more features, updates can push new versions)
- short life cycle
- community support
- usually no support from 3rd party vendors (binary-only drivers, commercial software) -- it changes too frequently

RHEL:

- price tag (annual subscription)
- older versions of software (more stable, less features, conservative updates)
- long life cycle
- vendor support (actually, this is mostly what you pay for when you buy RHEL)
- support from 3rd party vendors

Free RHEL clones:

- free
- older versions of software (same as RHEL)
- same life cycle as RHEL (as long as project is alive)
- community support
- 3rd party vendors might deny support because it doesn't have Red Hat label

You choose which combination of above fits your needs.

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