

Re: Need recommendation for USB Thumb Drive

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On Sun, 10 Jun 2007 16:22:46 -0700, ToddAndMargo wrote:

HI All,

Cent OS 5 (RHEL 5 Clone).

My imation swivel drive corrupts everytime I copy something large to it with either "cp" or "rsync". I like the drive because it has a "write protect" switch. (It goes into a lot of infected Windows machines and Windows' viruses now will jump to thumb drives.) But if it doesn't work, it doesn't work. The partition table even gets corrupted. My other non-switch thumb drive do not corrupt.

Can anyone recommend me a 4 GB USB thumb drive that:

1) won't corrupt with "cp" or "rsync", AND 2) has a write protect switch?

I am using a 4 GB Kingston DataTraveler USB stick for backing up essential stuff using rsync, and so far it is working like a champ. I don't think it comes with a write protect switch though. On the plus side, Linux is explicitly listed in its compatibility table.

A while ago I got a SanDisk Cruzer Mini for the same purpose. It got foobarred after a single back up. I got in touch with the SanDisk people and they said, sorry, Linux is not supported – which of course means that SanDisk won't be getting my business any time soon.