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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 ...
<b>Solaris 8 Installation CD</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Install several CDs of the software in your product box at once from a single, browser-based tool</li><li>• Install all the software with a default option, or pick only the software you want to install with a customize option</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Upgrade from a pre-Solaris 7 version of the Solaris software</li><li>• Customize the software installations at the lowest levels (for example, selecting or deselecting packages)</li></ul>
<b>Solaris Interactive Installation Program (on Solaris 8 Software 1 of 2 CD), followed by the co-packaged software installation programs</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Install the Solaris Software CD first, then install the co-packaged software separately</li><li>• Upgrade from a version earlier than the Solaris 7 release</li><li>• Customize the software installation at the lowest levels (for example, selecting or deselecting packages)</li><li>• Install on systems with the minimum hardware requirements specified for the Solaris software</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Install several CDs of the software in your product box (Solaris software and some co-packaged software) at once from a single tool</li></ul>

# 3 Boot the system from the appropriate CD.

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

## 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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