



Introducing Fedora Kinoite

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Agenda

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What is Fedora Kinoite?

- Fedora Kinoite is **Fedora** (attached to **KDE SIG**)
- Build **100%** from Fedora RPM packages
- **Immutable** desktop operating system
- Featuring the **KDE Plasma** desktop environment
- First release planned for **Fedora 35**



Why Fedora?

- Fedora provides a **stable** and **up to date** software stack
 - Wayland, Pipewire, systemd user sessions, etc.
 - Enabled by default in **Fedora 34**
- KDE packaging follows **latest upstream release**
- **Upstream first** for patches and configuration changes
- **Active KDE SIG** with weekly meetings (Monday 1800 UTC)



What makes it different?

- Based on **rpm-ostree** to manage the system
- **Flatpak** to manage applications
- **podman** to manage containers for tools and development

- Close sibling of **Fedora Silverblue**



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Fedora 35

Kinoite

<http://fedoraproject.org/>

Software

KDE Frameworks Version: 5.83.0
Qt Version: 5.15.2
Kernel Version: 5.13.0-0.rc5.20210611git929d931f2b40.42.fc35.x86_64 (64-bit)
Graphics Platform: Wayland

Hardware

Processors: 4 × Intel Core Processor (Broadwell, IBRS)
Memory: 3.8 GiB of RAM
Graphics Processor: llvmpipe

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Applications — Discover

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Up to date

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The image displays a Fedora Linux desktop environment. In the background, a Mozilla Firefox browser window is open, showing the 'Fedora Project - Start Page' with a search bar and navigation buttons. The desktop is running KDE Plasma, with the 'kinoite' desktop environment visible. A search bar is present at the top of the desktop. The desktop menu is open, showing various application categories such as Favorites, All Applications, Administration, Development, Internet, Settings, System, Utilities, and Help. The Firefox application is highlighted. The Dolphin file manager is also open, showing the 'Home' directory with folders for Desktop, Documents, Downloads, Music, Pictures, Public, and Trash. The system tray at the bottom shows the date as MAY, and the taskbar includes icons for Applications, Places, Sleep, Restart, Shut Down, and Leave... The system clock in the bottom right corner shows the time as 12:33 AM on 6/15/21.



Current status

- Official support **in progress** in Fedora, **planned for F35**
 - <https://pagure.io/fedora-kde/SIG/issue/4>
- **Official development builds** available (Rawhide)
 - <https://discussion.fedoraproject.org/t/how-to-test-fedora-kinoite/30405>
- **Unofficial stable builds** available (Fedora 34)
 - <https://fedoramagazine.org/discover-fedora-kinoite/>
 - Still **100%** Fedora RPMs
 - But signed with my key (and not Fedora's one)



What is the goal of Fedora Kinoite?



Easy desktop experience for users

- **rpm-ostree** makes system updates a non-event
 - System is shipped as a **single consistent image**
 - **Atomic** updates and **rollbacks**
- **Flatpak** makes installing and updating applications easy
 - Updates independent of system updates
 - **Flathub** (mixed FOSS and proprietary)
 - **Fedora** (FOSS only)
- **toolbox** keeps all Fedora packages at hand (fallback)



Accessible for testers / early adopters



- Easy to try the next version thanks to **rpm-ostree**
 - Without giving up **stability**
 - Keeps all your Flatpak apps **as-is**
 - Easy rollback to a previous **known good version**
- Can try nightly / development **Flatpaks** in parallel
 - Keep stable applications **available** as fallback
 - Try Flatpaks built from **PRs** (see [GitHub action](#))



Safer environment for developers



- **rpm-ostree** enables **controlled change** to the system
 - Replace any RPM on the system, **live**
 - **Revert live** or go back to a **clean state** by rebooting
- “All included” development environments with **Flatpaks**
 - Any **libraries**, any **version**, any **framework**
 - **No restrictions** or compatibility issues with what’s on the system



Where are the (KDE) apps?



Flatpaks from Fedora

- Good selection of non-KDE apps already available
- **KDE Apps** as Fedora Flatpaks still **in-progress**
 - <https://pagure.io/fedora-kde/SIG/issue/13>
 - Planned for **Fedora 35**
- Will quickly bring all existing **packaged** KDE Apps
 - **Same version** as those available via RPMs
 - Guaranteed to be **FOSS**



Flatpaks from Flathub

- A lot of non-KDE apps already available
- **Quickly expanding** list of KDE Apps on **Flathub**
 - <https://flathub.org/apps/search/org.kde>
 - Closely follows **latest upstream stable releases**
- Best place to fix apps close to **upstream** to make them **fully compatible** with Flatpak sandboxing
- **Lots of small and easy tasks for beginners in**
 - Flatpak packaging of existing apps
 - KDE Apps development to fix incompatibility issues



Apps on Flathub



Apps for Linux, right here

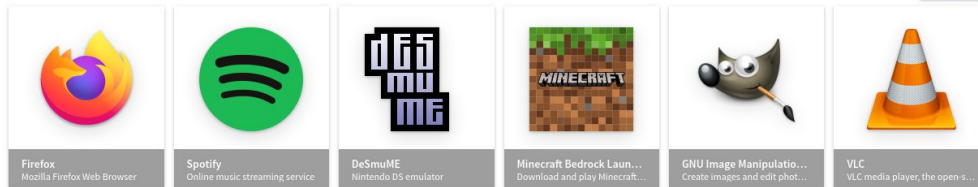
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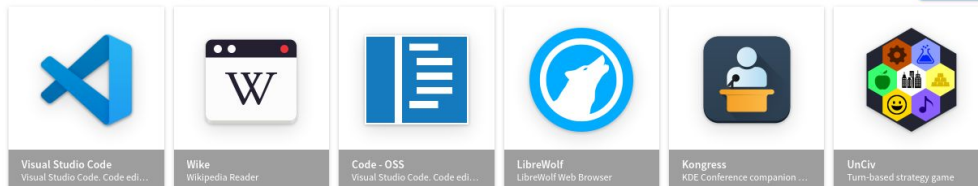
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KDE Apps on Flathub (search org.kde)



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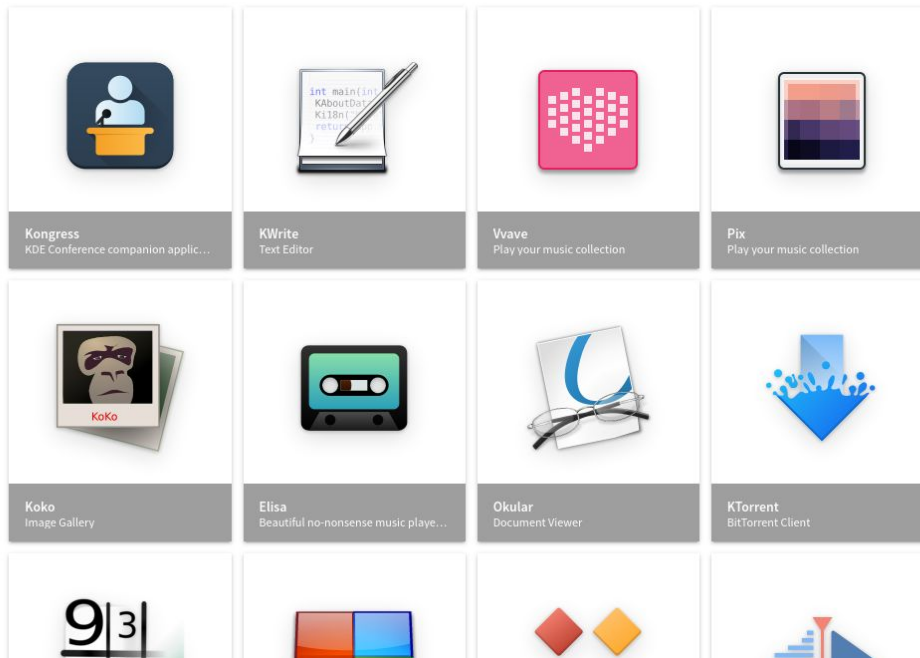
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What's the future for Fedora Kinoite?



Our plans for the future

- Be the best platform to try the **next version** of
 - **KDE Plasma**: versions with Plasma Beta releases
 - **KDE Apps**: make nightly Flatpaks accessible
- **Testing** and multiple delivery **streams**
 - Classic **Stable** (latest two Fedora) and **Rawhide** streams
 - **Automated** testing before release (OpenQA)
 - **Stable+Beta/Nightly Plasma releases**
 - Enable manual testing by early adopters



Logo missing here (in progress too!)



- **Join us!**
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Demo time!

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