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How to install / update Wine windows emulator 1.4 on Debian Squeeze Linux

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Debian Squeeze Linux depending on RC release comes with a Version of WINE Windows emulator 0.9.8 or wine 1.0.1-3.1. This wine version is very out of date already and many of the new win software working well with newer wine releases doesn't work. We all know the down-side of Debian stable releases you always stay a bit outdated.

Thanksfully there is an easy way to upgrade to newer wine version and hence have more Windows software properly running on Squeeze. To do so you need to add custom following wine custom deb repository:

deb http://main.mepis-deb.org/mepiscr/repo/ mepis85cr main

i.e.

debian:~# echo 'deb http://main.mepis-deb.org/mepiscr/repo/ mepis85cr main' >> /etc/apt/sources.list

Then update wine with apt-get:

debian:~# apt-get update

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debian:~# apt-get --yes install wine

The following NEW packages will be installed: fonts-droid ttf-droid ttf-umefont ttf-unfonts-core wine-gecko

The following packages will be upgraded: wine

1 upgraded, 5 newly installed, 10 to remove and 86 not upgraded.

Need to get 135 MB of archives.

debian:~# dpkg -l |grep -i wine

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That's all enjoy:)

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