

Linux announced

Linus Torvalds, 21 years old at the time, announced that he is developing Linux



AUGUST
1991

FEBRUARY
1992

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First Linux Distro

The first complete Linux distro is released - MCC Interim Linux

SLS is released

One of the first Linux distros that started it all. Debian and Slackware were based on it

SLS

AUGUST
1992

SEPTEMBER
1992

**SUSE is founded**

The first company to market Linux to enterprises

Red Hat is founded

One of the first companies to offer and develop open source software to enterprises



MARCH
1993

JULY
1993

**Slackware released**

The oldest Linux distro that's still active and being maintained

Wine is released

A way to run Windows applications on Linux was born



JULY
1993

AUGUST
1993

**Debian is released**

One of the oldest still active Linux distros. Many other distros are based on Debian

SUSE Linux released
SUSE released their first Linux distro based on Slackware



JUNE
1994

MAY
1996

**Tux is born**

The official mascot for Linux - Tux the penguin

KDE is released

A desktop environment for Linux that's still popular today



OCTOBER
1996

MARCH
1999

**GNOME is released**

A desktop environment used by many distros today. It was announced in August 1997

RHEL is released

A commercial Linux distro developed by Red Hat - still active today



FEBRUARY
2000

MARCH
2002

**Arch Linux released**

A rolling-release Linux distro that many people use btw

Gentoo is released

Before the first "Gentoo" release, it was "Enoch Linux", released in December, 1999



MARCH
2002

NOVEMBER
2003

**Fedora is released**

A popular Linux distro of today. A personal favorite of Linus Torvalds. Based on RHEL

Ubuntu is released

Arguably the most popular Linux distro today. It's based on Debian



OCTOBER
2004

APRIL
2005

**Git is released**

The most popular VCS - it was created by Linus Torvalds

Linux Mint released

One of the most popular Linux distros of today. Based on Ubuntu



AUGUST
2006

SEPTEMBER
2008

**Android is released**

It uses a modified version of the Linux kernel

LinuxStans is born

The website LinuxStans.com was launched. This infographic was created for LinuxStans.com



OCTOBER
2020