1. **Gather the following information about the system on which you intend to install the Solaris™ operating environment:**

- Languages and locales you intend to use on the system
- Host name

And, if you intend to include the system in a network:

- Host IP address
- Subnet mask
- Type of name service (DNS, NIS, or NIS+, for example)
- Domain name
- Host name of name server
- Host IP address of name server

Note: A desktop Solaris 8 installation requires 64 Mbytes of memory and 1.7 Gbytes of disk space. Solaris software might be preinstalled on your system; see your hardware documentation.

2. **Do you have a SPARC™ or Intel Architecture (IA) based system?**

If	And you want to		Then
SPARC	Install Solaris on a single system from a local CD- ROM drive		Insert the CD labeled Solaris 8 Installation English SPARC Platform Edition or Solaris 8 Installation Multilingual SPARC Platform Edition into the system's CD-ROM drive.
	Set up, automate, customize, and/or perform an advanced feature installation of Solaris on any number of systems in a large enterprise network environment		Refer to the *Solaris 8 Advanced Installation Guide*.
IA	Install Solaris on a single system from a local CD-ROM drive	And your system is capable of booting from a CD*	Insert the CD labeled Solaris 8 Installation English Intel Platform Edition or Solaris 8 Installation Multilingual Intel Platform Edition into the system's CD-ROM drive.
		And your system is *not* capable of booting from a CD*	1. Insert the diskette labeled Solaris 8 Device Configuration Assistant Intel Platform Edition into the system's diskette drive. 2. Insert the CD labeled Solaris 8 Installation English Intel Platform Edition or Solaris 8 Installation Multilingual Intel Platform Edition into the system's CD-ROM drive.
	Set up, automate, customize, and/or perform an advanced feature installation of Solaris on any number of systems in a large enterprise network environment		Refer to the *Solaris 8 Advanced Installation Guide*.

3. **Boot the system.**

To boot	Then
SPARC	Display the `ok` prompt (by typing `halt` as superuser or by pressing both the Stop and A keys at the same time), and then type `boot cdrom`.
IA	Shut down the system, turn the system's power off and on, and then select the choices you want from the menus displayed by the Solaris Device Configuration Assistant.

4. **Follow the instructions on the screen to continue with the installation.**

Solaris Web Start prompts you to provide information such as the software and locales you want to install. At the appropriate time, Solaris Web Start prompts you to insert the correct CDs based on your previous responses.

Solaris 8 Documentation

You can find installation documentation, including the Installation Supplement for Update Releases, and release notes:
- On the CD labeled Solaris 8 Documentation SPARC/Intel Platform Edition (see `README.html`)
- At `http://docs.sun.com`
- In this package, if it includes printed documentation

* Note: The BIOS on most IA motherboards manufactured since late 1997 supports the "El Torito" standard and thus recognizes CD-ROM drives as boot devices. To turn on this capability, use your system's BIOS setup tool.