



GNOME 2.0 Desktop for the Solaris Operating Environment Release Notes

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Release Notes for the GNOME 2.0 Desktop

These release notes contain information relevant to the GNOME 2.0 desktop for the Solaris™ Operating Environment, at the time of product release. Read this document before you install the desktop.

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Desktop Features

The GNOME 2.0 desktop for the Solaris Operating Environment is the first release supported by Sun Microsystems of this easy-to-use, advanced user environment. The GNOME 2.0 desktop embodies a familiar desktop metaphor that enables you to interact efficiently with the applications and documents you use every day.

The most important software components of the GNOME 2.0 desktop are as follows:

Component	Description
Nautilus	An advanced file manager.
Panels	A panel is a bar that contains application launchers, system menus, panel drawers, and small applications called applets.

Component	Description
Applets	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ CD Player ■ Character Palette ■ Clock ■ Command Line ■ Inbox Monitor ■ Keyboard Layout Switcher ■ Volume Control ■ Window List ■ Workspace Switcher
Utilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Calculator ■ Character Map ■ Image Viewer ■ Media Player ■ Performance Meter ■ PostScript/PDF Viewer ■ Print Manager ■ Terminal ■ Text Editor ■ Sound Recorder

The GNOME 2.0 desktop contains comprehensive Help about working with the user interface and applications. The download package also contains extensive documentation, see the following section.

Desktop Documentation

PDF and HTML versions of the following manuals are included in the desktop package:

- *GNOME 2.0 Desktop for the Solaris Operating Environment Accessibility Guide*
Describes how to use the accessibility features of the desktop.
- *GNOME 2.0 Desktop for the Solaris Operating Environment Installation Guide*
Describes how to unpack files and install the desktop.
- *GNOME 2.0 Desktop for the Solaris Operating Environment Release Notes*
This document.
- *GNOME 2.0 Desktop for the Solaris Operating Environment System Administration Guide*
Describes system administration requirements and functionality.

- *GNOME 2.0 Desktop for the Solaris Operating Environment User Guide*

Describes how to use the features and main applications in the desktop. The information in the user guide might be slightly different from information in GNOME Help. The user guide is more up-to-date than the GNOME Help.

You can view all of the manuals on the following website: <http://docs.sun.com>. The manuals on the website might be more recent versions than the manuals in the download package.

To view a manual, you must first unpack the desktop files, as described in the *GNOME 2.0 Desktop for the Solaris Operating Environment Installation Guide*. See the chapter *Information About Working With the Desktop* in the *GNOME 2.0 Desktop for the Solaris Operating Environment Installation Guide*, for the location of the manuals in the unpacked desktop files.

You can view the following manual on the <http://www.sun.com/gnome/support.html> website:

- *GNOME 2.0 Desktop for the Solaris Operating Environment Troubleshooting Guide*
Provides tips for dealing with known issues.

Before You Install the Desktop

Before you install the desktop, make sure that you have the following manual: *GNOME 2.0 Desktop for the Solaris Operating Environment Installation Guide*. If you do not have a printed copy of the installation guide, you can download a copy from the following website: <http://docs.sun.com>. Also see the Sun Microsystems GNOME documentation page at the following location: <http://www.sun.com/gnome/documentation/>.

Known Issues and Solutions

For a list of known issues and solutions, see the *GNOME 2.0 Desktop for the Solaris Operating Environment Troubleshooting Guide*, located on the following website: <http://www.sun.com/gnome/support.html>.

Performance Issues

See the *GNOME 2.0 Desktop for the Solaris Operating Environment System Administration Guide* if you experience any of the following:

- Reduced visual performance in 8-bit displays.
- Performance issues in systems with remote displays, such as Sun Ray™ thin clients.
- Performance issues in lower-end systems.

Reporting a Problem

You can report problems on the following website:
<http://www.sun.com/gnome/support.html>.