

Talk:Installation_and_Tips_for_Mac_OS_X

Guys, I'm totally okay with the discussion but I am not okay with it being on the front page. I've cut and pasted the the discussion and put it here for posterity's sake.

Here's what we're going to do with the OS X page: The introduction will need to have a note explaining that there are two ways to perform a FreeSWITCH install on OS X: the "Apple" way and the "FreeSWITCH" way. (Disclosure: I have an old Mac and am stuck at 10.6; Also, I prefer the "FreeSWITCH way" because I've written two books and thousands of wiki pages and in each case I always fall back to the /usr/local directory structure.)

I would like each of you to write the instructions for the way you prefer. Neither way will be elevated above the other - the reader will choose the method that he or she prefers. When you write the section for your method be sure to include the pros and cons for the method in question. Each method has its merits and its drawbacks and as long as the reader can know them before choosing then I don't particularly care which way they go or which one is more popular.

If you have any questions on layouts, etc. just let me know. -MSC

NOTE All the text below was last edited in late 2010, early 2011. A lot of the content needs to be updated to reflect the many changes made in OS X 10.7+. A lot of the content does not follow OSX best practices (why are we creating /usr/local instead of making correct use of standard directory structure ?). Content update coming soon(ish) to a page near you, in the mean time, proceed with caution.

NOTE A public warning to any wiki-editors thinking of editing this page, Bob_Smith is working offline (Jan/Feb 2012) on a completely new version of this page. Therefore any edits you make will be completely wiped when the new content is eventually uploaded. ;-)

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NOTE Although the prerequisites may be out of date, nothing else is. The tips are all accurate and use Apple documented options. The installation uses standard Linux directories which FreeSwitch was designed for. The comments above are for people who want to use Apple Standard directories. We welcome any useful information and different techniques for installation on OS X. The original author of this page plans major changes at a future date, it will be reorganized and all added information will be retained. For those of you that used this page, any original content deleted by the previous commenter will be restored.
