

Dell T105 + ESXi ...



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Well I can confirm that I have a Dell PowerEdge T105 running smoothly with ESXi, This system is running from a USB stick thats plugged into the motherboard. No issues!

Spec

Dual Core Opteron 1216 2.4Ghz
2Gb Ram
250Gb SATA Drive
1 Onboard gigabit NIC + 1 3Com 100Mbps NIC

The system at the moment has one VM running Windows Server 2003 Standard RS2, I have yet to install WSUS for some serious performance testing.



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Apr 30, 2009 1. **Re: Dell T105 + ESXi** Apr 30, 2009 9:28 AM

I'm novice to ESXi. I guess You mean you installed ESXI from Internal UBS drive. Is that correct?

I am trying to install ESXI on Dell T100 but getting an error: "Unable to find a supported devide to write the image" when trying to install from DVD.

Did you face this issue?



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Apr 30, 2009 2. **Re: Dell T105 + ESXi** Apr 30, 2009 9:47 AM

I'm about to attempt the same on an Athlon based T105, with 8Gb of RAM and a 1.5Tb SATA drive.

Any tips on how to install ESX3i to boot from USB?



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Apr 30, 2009 3. **Re: Dell T105 + ESXi** Apr 30, 2009 1:58 PM

in response to: [SCMHenry](#) Nevermind.... I stumbled my way through it... and it works as expected.



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Apr 30, 2009 4. **Re: Dell T105 + ESXi** Apr 30, 2009 2:08 PM

in response to: [SCMHenry](#)

Were you able to install on Hard Disk or just using it from USB?

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Do you know if there are any risks to run ESXi from USB?



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Nov 15, 2005 5. **Re: Dell T105 + ESXi** May 1, 2009 12:41 AM

👤 in response to: [techmo](#) You'll want to use a quality USB 2.0 certified USB flash drive. And regardless of where you run ESXi from (flash drive / hard drive) you should regularly backup your ESXi config in addition to the VMs - http://www.vm-help.com/esx/esx3i/esx_3i_rcli/vicfg-cfgbackup.php.