

## Re: Not very impressed so far

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I have installed XP Pro on 2 machines(separate licenses) with no problem I could ever blame on XP, except for 1 device driver I took from WUD. The 1st was with an AMD XP 1700+. I bought XP in Feb. after it was released in Oct. My current machine in running on a P4 3.2.

Both installs were, however, clean installs. Comparing your experience to mine, and posts in the NG's, I would have to believe, either you upgraded to an OS that already had unresolved problems or you have some XP non-compatible hardware or software.

Note, I am only a PC hobbyist so, my success is not due to my superior knowledge. Since you object to even installing a driver, I know you won't like my suggestion, but here it is; Make sure all of your hardware is XP compatible and do a clean install of XP.

FWIW, JAX

"Kiwi" <Kiw wannabe@hotmail.com> wrote in message  
news:idyKc.177\$jU1.13@newsfe2-gui.ntli.net...

- > As a WindowsME user everyone kept telling me to upgrade to WindowsXP and
- > asking why on earth I still bothered with ME. I've got an AMD Athlon
- XP2000+
- > 512M memory, 5 USB devices, DVD and CDRW writers. The software I mainly
- use
- > on this machine is Visual Studio 6.0, Outlook 2000 and Ulead Media Studio
- > Pro Video editor.
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- > My WindowME machine would require a format and reinstall about once every
- 2
- > or 3 months, so I finally decided to upgrade to WindowsXP.
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- > On the box it said 1.5G disk space require, so I already had a 2G
- partition
- > and all my applications where installed on another drive. After 2 days my
- 2G
- > partition was full so had to repartition my PC and now it has a 5G
- > partition.

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- > *The interactive install was a pain because it meant that I had to sit in*
- > *front of my PC for half an hour. Watching paint dry would have been more*
- > *exciting.*
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- > *Detected my ATI Rage Pro 128 Ultra graphics card but installed the wrong*
- > *drive.*
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- > *Have managed to disable all the CPU intensive graphical effects which*
- > *seemed*
- > *to even slow down my 2GHz machine.*
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- > *My PC seems to for ever require reboots after downloading and installing*
- > *critical updates. Luckily I've got broadband, don't know what I would have*
- > *done if was still connected on my old 56k modem. Visual Studio has*
- > *crashed,*
- > *Media Studio has crashed, Outlook is very slow and has also crashed, all*
- > *of*
- > *them wanting to send information to Microsoft and who knows if they bother*
- > *to read them.*
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- > *I am by no means a computer novice and my profession is a Network*
- > *Specialist and I install and configure OS's from Win95 – Win2K and FreeBSD,*
- > *Linux, IRIX, Solaris and HPUX as part of my job.*
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- > *Am very tempted to go back to WindowsME. Would like to know if anyone has*
- > *had similar problems and also any success stories.*
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