

Next Gen Firefox In Beta Tests

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Fans of Firefox (that's the world, apart from Jalal) have mood to be jubilant today. The next generation of the phenomenally popular browser has entered beta testing.

We're not talking version 1.0x here either, we're talking the real deal. Codenamed "Deer Park Alpha 1", Mozilla describes it as "a very early stage version of our next generation browser".

Frustratingly, the company doesn't go into any specifics about what innovations we can expect to see from Firefox 2. Instead it talks in generalities, speaking of:

- Performance Improvements
- Support for modern standards like CSS3, SVG and E4X
- Upgrades to the extension mechanism

I'd love to get my hands on Deer Park Alpha 1, but unfortunately it is only being shipped to developers and a close knit testing community at this stage. Still, I have a sneaking suspicion it will somehow end up on bittorent before the end of the week. (Hell, if "Revenge of the Sith" can...)

And for those of you not part of the 52 million to download Firefox since version 1.0 debuted in November, do yourselves a favour and take the plunge. You'll thank me later.

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