

# Week Report 8

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Discussion Board Completion (4)

**Roderick Tejada**

a few seconds ago, at 12:17 AM

Desktop Environment: Lumina Desktop

Linux Distribution: GhostBSD

Lumina Website: <https://lumina-desktop.org/>GhostBSD Website: <https://www.ghostbsd.org/>

Lumina Desktop feels like a very lightweight and traditional desktop environment that focuses on being simple and efficient rather than visual effects. Its layout is straightforward, with a classic panel and menu that make it easy to navigate even if someone is new to Linux or BSD. The customization options are present but not overwhelming, so it is possible to adjust panels, menus, and a few visual elements without getting lost in settings. Because Lumina is designed to be resource-friendly, it works well on older or lower-spec hardware while still feeling responsive and smooth in everyday use. Using it through GhostBSD gives a clean and cohesive experience, since the system is built with Lumina as one of its primary desktops and keeps things simple out of the box. Overall, Lumina Desktop on GhostBSD seems like a good choice for users who prefer a no-nonsense, efficient environment and care more about speed and clarity than flashy visual features.

**Joaquin Sanchez**

4 hours ago, at 8:17 PM

Xfce is a lightweight and efficient desktop environment that focuses on speed, stability, and simplicity. After exploring it in Kali Linux, I found that it offers a clean and uncluttered interface that works well even on older or lower-resource machines. It doesn't have the heavy animations or high resource usage found in some other environments, which makes the system feel very responsive. I also like that Xfce is highly customizable. For security-focused distributions like Kali Linux, Xfce is a great match because it keeps system overhead minimal while still providing a familiar desktop layout. If you know what Kali is and have used it before then you'll know what I'm talking about but overall Kali is very smooth and offers the ability to learn more about security and vulnerabilities.

<https://xfce.org/><https://www.kali.org/>

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I like how you connected the low resource usage and lack of heavy animations to better responsiveness, especially on older hardware. Mentioning customization was smart too, since it shows Xfce is not just fast but also flexible for different users. Your final point about Kali being smooth and useful for learning security and vulnerabilities ties everything together and shows you understand both the desktop environment and the purpose of the distribution.

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