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Over the past 8 years Debian has grown into the operating system of choice for many organisations and individuals alike. Debian has been run on everything from embedded devices to the most powerful super computers. Some of Debian's larger users include NASA and France Telecom. Furthermore, Debian supports more processor architectures than any other Linux-based operating system around, and is working on support for even more.

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All Debian developers have undergone a stringent selection process to ensure that only the best people develop the best operating system. Most Debian developers work in their free time for no monetary reward, so you can trust that they are highly motivated, ensuring that their handiwork is nothing but perfect.

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