Testing Tiki installations on major Shared Hosting companies

This is the responsibility of the Packaging Team

Testing Tiki installations

1. Identify hosts with most shared hosting customers
2. Determine ideal criteria list
3. Test
4. Get in touch with these companies
5. Improving handling of LTS versions
6. Todo
7. The list
   - Go Daddy
   - 1 & 1
   - Bluehost
   - HostMonster
   - Dreamhost
   - HostGator
   - OVH
   - Funio
     - Account with Funio for Tiki
     - An opinion about Funio
   - Site5
   - IPOWERWEB
   - Powweb
   - iPage
   - Yahoo! Small Business
8. On list?
   - Hostpapa
   - Rackspace

Goal: make sure as many people as possible have an easy experience to install Tiki. Sometimes, shared hosts can have a certain configuration/setup which makes Tiki more difficult to install. Ex.: Site5 and thus people will end up not using Tiki because they can't install it.

There are many benefits for a hosting company to offer Tiki and we want as many as possible Tiki Friendly Hosts.
1. Identify hosts with most shared hosting customers

We are not concerned with v-servers of dedicated servers as people that get these can configure them as they please.

2. Determine ideal criteria list

- Must work well with Tiki
  - We'll do a first check with the new Server check script and Permission Check scripts
  - See reviews/reports in Tiki Friendly Hosts
- Recent versions of PHP/MySQL
- Buy domain names
- SSH is quite important
  - Should work with TRIM (SVN, etc.)
- E-mail is standard (with redirect)
- .htaccess support
- Cron job support
- One-click backups
  - Ideally, automateable offsite backups
- Must work with 1-click installers
- Support
- Affordable pricing but doesn't need to be the lowest
- Ideally, have reseller plan to make it easier for consultants
  - And/or Affiliate commissions
- Have a CDN option like CloudFlare has with Bluehost and Arvixe and others
- wkhtmltopdf

3. Test

- Get accounts with those companies and do test installs and upgrades
- Document how it went, and important to note any exceptions
- Link to known-good sites (such as those listed as Featured Tikis)
- Use the Server Check script.

4. Get in touch with these companies

To be part of their installers and see if they can adopt the same LTS cycle than Tiki has. Here is Message to 1-click installers about Tiki LTS
5. Improving handling of LTS versions
   - When people install/upgrade, they should indicate if they want LTS or frequent updates
     - We need to improve the Update notifier Done for Tiki10

6. Todo
   - Monitoring all test sites from the 1-click installers

7. The list

Go Daddy
   - http://godaddy.com
   - http://hostingconnection.godaddy.com/
   - http://support.godaddy.com/help/article/1724

1 & 1
   - http://1and1.com
   - Click-n-build applications
     - Tiki is in the list, but which version?
   - http://www.apsstandard.org/
     - http://apsstandard.org/forums/viewthread/20/
   - 1and1 install

Bluehost
   - http://www.bluehost.com/
     - http://tutorials.bluehost.com/simplescripts/
   - Related to HostMonster
   - Part of EIG
   - More info at: Bluehost

HostMonster
   - http://www.hostmonster.com/
     - Uses SimpleScripts
   - Related to Bluehost
   - Part of EIG
   - More info at: HostMonster
Dreamhost
- http://www.dreamhost.com/
- http://wiki.dreamhost.com/Available_One_Click_Installs

HostGator
- http://www.hostgator.com/ "Now hosting over 8,000,000 domains!"
- Hostgator offers QuickInstall, an in-house script auto-installer, which is like Fantastico.
  - Tiki is offered, but which version?
  - In the list, it should be called Tiki Wiki CMS Groupware
    - another list
- Part of EIG

OVH
- 1 Click Solutions
- http://www.ovh.ie/web-hosting/
- They use Tiki: http://guides.ovh.com/

Funio
- http://funio.com/
  - Funio offers softaculous

Account with Funio for Tiki
An opinion about Funio
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Site5
- Site5
  - Moving to Softaculous

IPOWERWEB
- http://www.ipowerweb.com/
  - Uses SimpleScripts (according to tech support chat)
- Related to Powweb
- Part of EIG
Powweb
- [http://www.powweb.com/]
  - PowWeb's Script Library
  - Uses SimpleScripts (according to tech support chat)
- Related to IPOWERWEB
- Part of EIG

iPage
- Uses SimpleScripts
- Part of EIG

Yahoo! Small Business
- [http://smallbusiness.yahoo.com/webhosting/compare-plans]

Also to investigate
SiteGround
- SiteGround
- [http://blog.siteground.com/softaculous-replaces-fantastico/]

Arvixe
- Arvixe

Webhostingpad
- [http://www.webhostingpad.com/]
  - Uses Softaculous

8. On list?
Do these people have significant shared hosting offers (although they have lots of dedicated servers)

Hostpapa
- They use Fantastico

Rackspace
- Not known for shared hosting
Related videos

Here is the study mentioned in the video.

Related links

- http://trends.builtwith.com/hosting/top
- http://www.webhosting.info/webhosts/tophosts/global/
- http://www.simplescripts.com/articles/simplescripts_system_requirements