

PineTab-V Debian OS

Release Notes

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1 About This Manual

Introduction

This document provides release information of PineTab-V Debian OS.

Revision History

Version	Released	Change Description
V1.0.0	2025-01-07	PineTab-V Debian OS v1.0.0 release

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2 Overview

This document contains important information about the PineTab-V Debian OS, supported features, known issues and limitations in this release.

Supported Devices:

• PineTab-V – 8GB RAM and 128GB eMMC storage

2.1 Release contents

This release consists of the following:

Table 2-1 Pre-build Image & Binaries

File	Description
pinetabv-image-debian-pinetabv-1.0.0.img.bz2	Kernel and roofs compressed image file
visionfive2_fw_payload.img	OpenSBI binaries with u-boot as payload
u-boot-spl.bin.normal.out	SPL binary

Table 2-2 Table 1-2 Source Code with tags

Deliverable	Version	Source	Tags
SDK	V5.13.1		
Linux Ker- nel	6.6.20		
OpenSBI	v1.2	files	pinetab-v1.0.0
u-boot	2021.10		
Debian	Debina GNU/Linux bookroom/sid		
Gnome	43.1		

3 What's New

This section describes the features

3.1 Features

Chassis:

- Dimensions: 242mm x 161mm x 9mm
- Weight: 520 grams (without keyboard), 990 grams (includes keyboard)
- Build: Metal and Plastic
- Color: Matte Black

Display:

- Type: HD IPS capacitive touchscreen, 16.7M colors
- Size: 10.1 inches
- Resolution: 1280×800 pixels, 16:10 ratio

Platform:

- Chipset: StarFive JH7110
- CPU: 64-bit Quad-core 1.5 GHz SiFive U74 RISC-V
- GPU: Imagination Technology BXE-4-32

Memory:

- Internal Flash Memory: 64GB (variant 1) or 128GB (variant 2) eMMC module
- System Memory: 4GB (variant 1) or 8GB (variant 2) LPDDR4 SDRAM
- Expansion: micro SD Card support SDHC and SDXC, up to 2TB

Camera:

- Main Camera: 1920*1080 ,LED Flash (chipset: Omnivision OV5648)
- Selfie Camera: 1280*720 (chipset: Galaxycore GC02M2)

Sound:

- Loudspeaker: Yes, stereo
- 3.5mm jack with mic: Yes, stereo
- Sound IC: ES8316

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Wireless:

- Chipset: Realtek RTL8852BU
- WLAN: Wi-Fi 802.11 ax/ac/b/g/n, dual-band, hotspot
- Bluetooth: 5.2, A2DP

I/O:

- 1x USB 3.0 Type-C port (front side 3.0, rear side 2.0)
- 1x USB 2.0 Type-C port (also use as charging and debug port)
- 1x USB 2.0 Pogo keyboard port
- 1x microHDMI HD Video output

Battery:

- Removable Li-Po 6000mAh battery
- Charging: 15W 5V 3A
- Model 30100140 from zgszjjy
- Charge IC: BQ25890H
- Fuel Guage: CW2015CHBD

3.2 Debian OS

Debian is an open-source GNU/Linux distribution created by the Debian community. Currently, Star-Five provides a pre-built Debian image for users to flash into SD/eMMC, we use Gnome Wayland as the default windowing system. We've also included by default, FFmpeg, Firefox and VLC in the image.

• Debian Snapshot date

20221225T084846Z

Gnome

Install the improved-osk-gnome extension by default

The Debian image provided is a rather clean image with minimal package installation for having a small image size. Hence, you will need to download the packages with script (/opt/install_full.sh), which includes:

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- Node.js 18.0.0
- v8 10.2.154.13
- libsdl2
- Firefox 119.0.1-1
- Libreoffice 7.5
- NW.js
- FFmpeg
- GStreamer
- v4l2test (This is a custom shell script to use the CSI camera)
- Chromium 103
- VLC 3.0.18
- OpenCV
- libcamera-apps
- libcamera
- Mesa
- gnome-shell
- cogl
- codec (OpenMax)
- Clutter-gst

4 Test Report

This chapter contains This chapter includes test equipment, test results, etc.

4.1 Equipment

Table 4-1 Testing Equipment

Module	Plugin
PineTab-V	8GB RAM and 128GB eMMC storage with keyboard
UART	PineTab2 USB UARTv2
SD	SanDisk 32G
USB	Flash drive、USB hub、Key board 、mouse、USB microphone speaker
HDMI	G-story
BT	Keyboard(DELL)、Mouse(DELL)、phones、PC、Bluetooth speaker
Jack	Headphones with microphone

4.2 Applications

In addition to the default installation of applications and the installation tool in the /opt/install_full.sh script, Optional application is recommended

Applications	Recommended
System	Tweaks、extentions
Internet	Firefox、Chromium
Office	LibreOffice 7.5 series
Photo	Image viewer
Video	VLC

Applications	Recommended
System monitoring tool	btop
Desktop icons	gnome-shell-extension-desktop-icons-ng
Language environment	fcitx
Input method	ibus-pinyin
Audio record	gnome-sound-recorder
photo	eog
Text editor	gedit
network	net-tools、iperf3

Table 4-2-2 Recommended installation application

4.3 Cases overview

Table 4-3 Overview

Product	Pass	Fail	NA	SUM
PineTab-V	239	23	19	281

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5 Known Issues/Limitations

The following tables list some key know issues

Table 6-1.Limitations

Category	Function	Description	Workaround
Hardware	Battery Charge	When battery charge below 8%, this may affected some func- tionality. Suggest charge the Pinetab-V when battery charge fall below 8%	
Software	Display	HDMI+MIPI activated together, MIPI desktop will display as po rtrait mode, and needs manually switch to Landscape mode.	
Application	Firefox	Not support HEVC hardware decode	
S		Note support MJPEG hardware decode	

Table 6-2. Known issues

Category	BugID	Description	Workaround
Hardware	-	When in low battery situation, Wifi driver not able loaded	No workaro und
Software	SW - Defect #16726	When audio recording using mic(onboard mic/earphone mic), there is no switch overwhen earphone mic plug in	Improve lat- er
	SW - Defect #16671	Under Debian OS, battery consumption still high	

	SW - Defect #16603	After power off orrestart 后, es8316print wrong messag(I 2C time out)	Only happen in certain Pi netab-V unit
	SW - Defect #16573	When open PPT document, the touchscreen not work well	Optimization issue
	SW - Defect #16733	When saving LibreOffice document, pull down window displ ay error message	Optimization issue
	-	Rouch screen less sensitive in certain area	Occasionally happen
	-	Front and real camera needs manually switching	
	_	Real camera has snowing effect and discolor but not efefctin g normal operation	Still wait to
Need to c onfirmed		Front camera slight dim effect but not effecting normal oper ation	confirm
	-	When connect Bluetooth to PC or mobile phone, the music playback heavily broek	Using Pineta b-V as bluet ooth speake r is not a pri mary functio n, no plan to fixPAD

6 Appendix-A

This chapter provides a method for writing the SPI flash

Copy the files to the file system partition of the TF Card which used for factory testing

The file system partition is the forth partition of the TF card ,and the copy path is "/root/", and make sure the 3 files exist on the TF card

# ls -al							
total 3242							
drwx	7 root	root	1024	Jan	9	2025	
drwxr-xr-x	18 root	root	1024	Jan	9	2025	
-rw	1 root	root	92	Jan	1	00:00	.ash_history
drwxr-xr-x	2 root	root	1024	Jun	28	2023	.config
drwxr-xr-x	2 root	root	1024	Jul	19	2023	ISP
drwxr-xr-x	2 root	root	1024	Jul	19	2023	e24
drwxr-xr-x	2 root	root	1024	Jul	19	2023	mailbox
-rwxrwxrwx	1 root	root	22984	Jul	19		mjpeg dec test
-rwxrr	1 root	root	839	Jan	9	2025	<pre>pinetab-update-uboot.sh</pre>
drwxr-xr-x	3 root	root	1024	Jul	19	2023	<pre>pinetabv_test_script</pre>
-rwxr-xr-x	1 root	root	123	Jun	28	2023	run_weston.sh
-rw-rr	1 root	root	154176	Jan	9		u-boot-spl.bin.normal.out
-rwxr-xr-x	1 root	root	3086	Jun	28	2023	usb_device.sh
-rwxrwxrwx	1 root	root	18768	Jul	19		video_dec_test
-rwxrwxrwx	1 root	root	18808	Jul	19	2023	video enc test
-rw-rr # []	1 root	root	3093125	Jan	9	2025	visionfive2_fw_payload.img

Plug the TF Card into PineTab-V and power on , run into kernel . Run the script : pinetab-update-uboot.sh

```
# sh pinetab-update-uboot.sh
Updating SPL...
Erasing blocks: 38/38 (100%)
Writing data: 150k/150k (100%)
Verifying data: 150k/150k (100%)
SPL updated successfully!
Updating U-Boot...
Erasing blocks: 756/756 (100%)
Writing data: 3020k/3020k (100%)
Verifying data: 3020k/3020k (100%)
U-Boot updated successfully!
Firmware update completed!
```

And then restart the board . If you see the date of u-boot is DEC 31 2024 . The update was successful.

```
U-Boot SPL 2021.10-00006-g196f587b95 (Dec 31 2024 - 15:51:12 +0800)
LPDDR4: 8G version: g8ad50857.
Trying to boot from SPI
U-Boot 2021.10-00006-g196f587b95 (Dec 31 2024 - 15:51:12 +0800)
CPU: rv64imacu_zba_zbb
```

7 Appendix-B

This chapter provides a method for Camera

