

# Loading Windows XP on a USB

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# Advantage of USB OS Loads

When we need to load a Windows operating system to a computer, we could burn the software to a CD or DVD, but the compact disc will eventually become hard to read when after use and normal handling, the surface is filled with scratches and smudges. We can avoid that trouble by placing the operating system on a USB Flash drive.

In this lesson, we will install Windows XP Professional on a 1 or 2 GB flash drive. What do we need to accomplish the task. We need a working computer with a CD drive and at least one USB port. We need to install the WinSetupFromUSB software. We need a 1 or 2 GB flash drive and a Windows XP Professional compact disk.



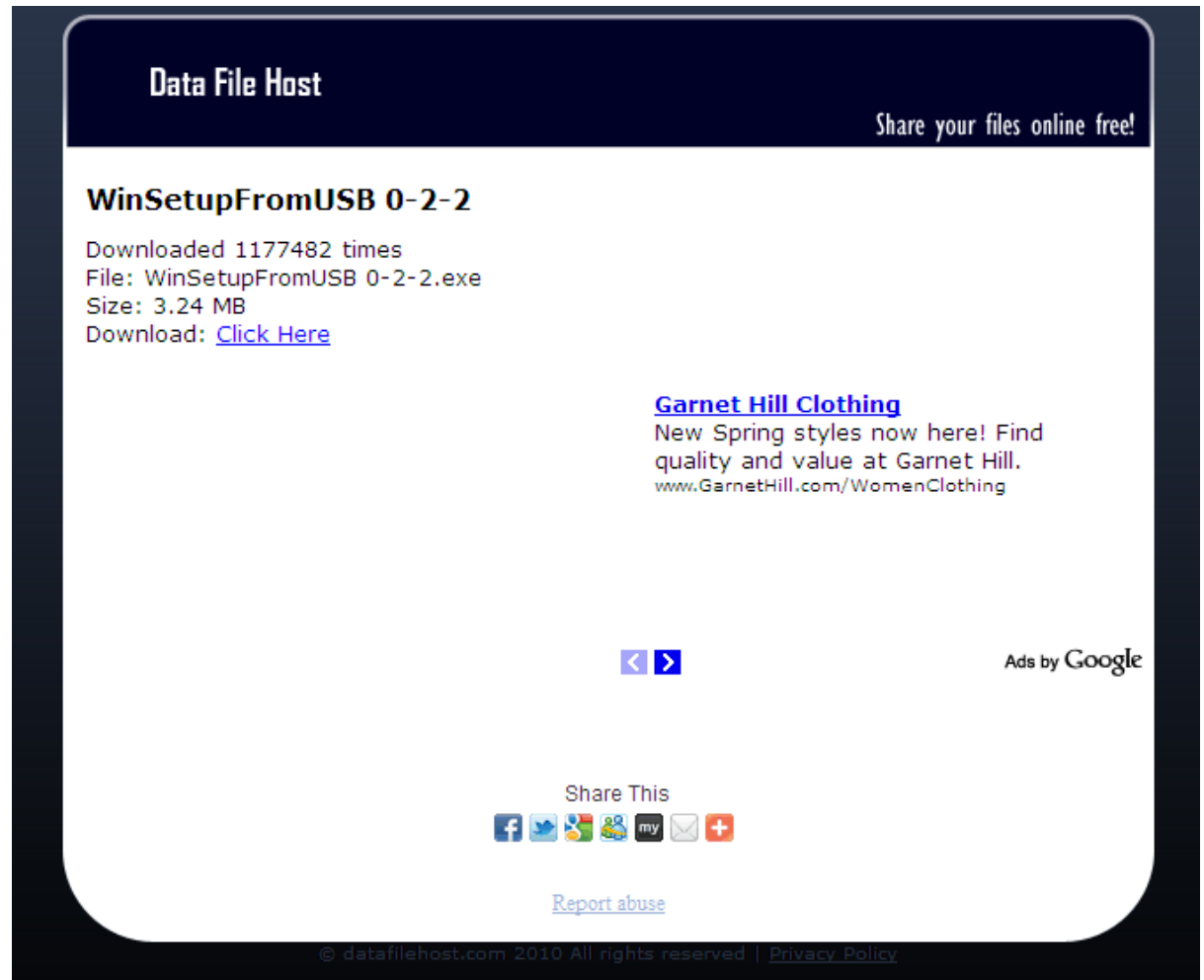
## Items to Load Windows XP on a Flash Drive

- **2GB Flash Drive**
- **Windows XP Professional CD**
- **WinSetupFromUSB software**
- **A Computer with a CD Drive and USB port**

# Download WinSetupFromUSB

We need to download WinSetupFromUSB by visiting the web page <http://www.datafilehost.com/download-109e97af.html>

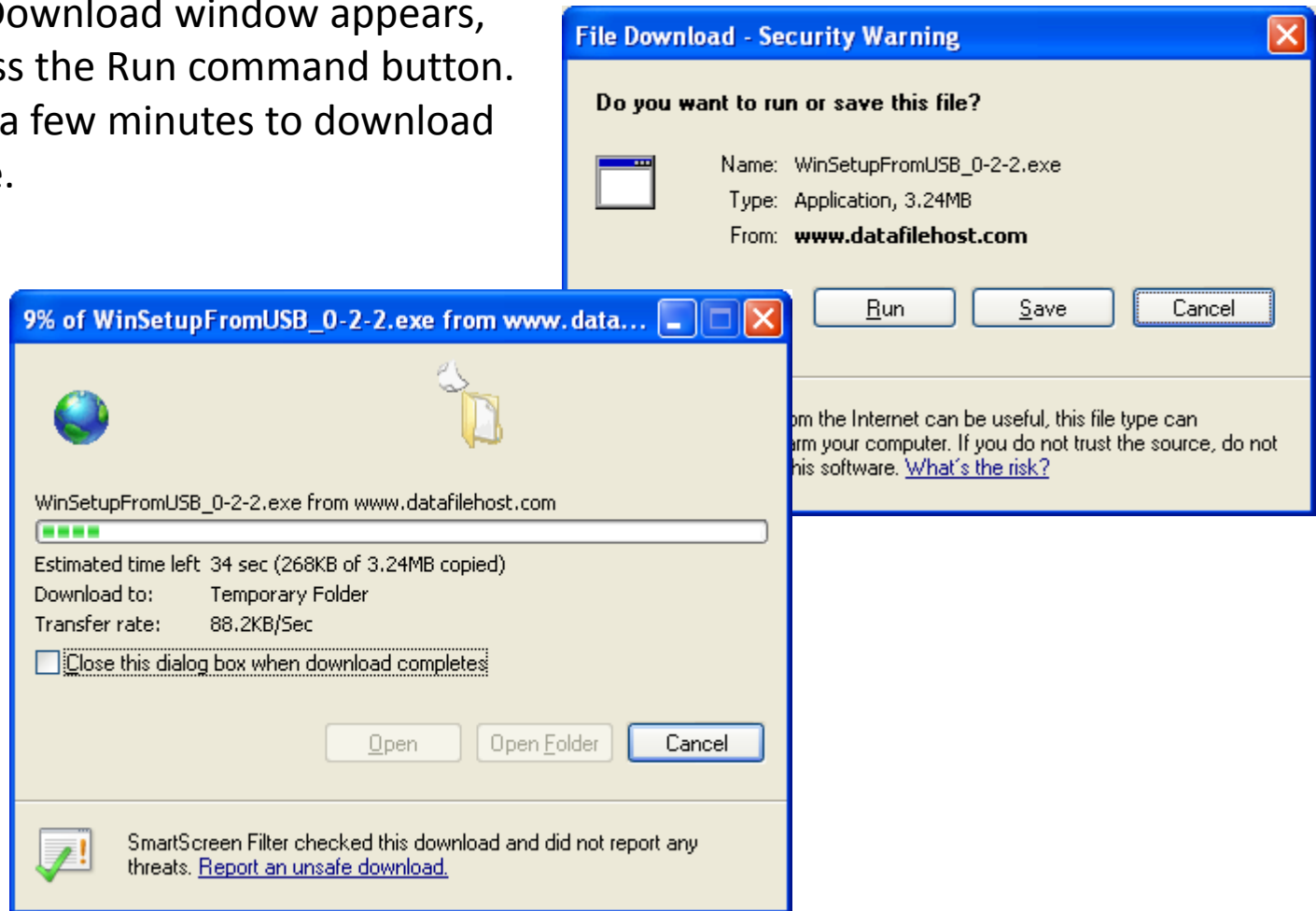
Press the Click Here hyperlink.



The screenshot shows a web page from Data File Host. At the top, it says "Data File Host" and "Share your files online free!". The main content area displays the file name "WinSetupFromUSB 0-2-2" and its statistics: "Downloaded 1177482 times", "File: WinSetupFromUSB 0-2-2.exe", and "Size: 3.24 MB". A "Download: Click Here" link is provided. Below this is an advertisement for "Garnet Hill Clothing" with the text "New Spring styles now here! Find quality and value at Garnet Hill. www.GarnetHill.com/WomenClothing". At the bottom of the page, there are navigation arrows, a "Share This" section with social media icons (Facebook, Twitter, Google+, MySpace, Email, and a plus sign for more), and a "Report abuse" link. The footer contains the copyright notice "© datafilehost.com 2010 All rights reserved | Privacy Policy".

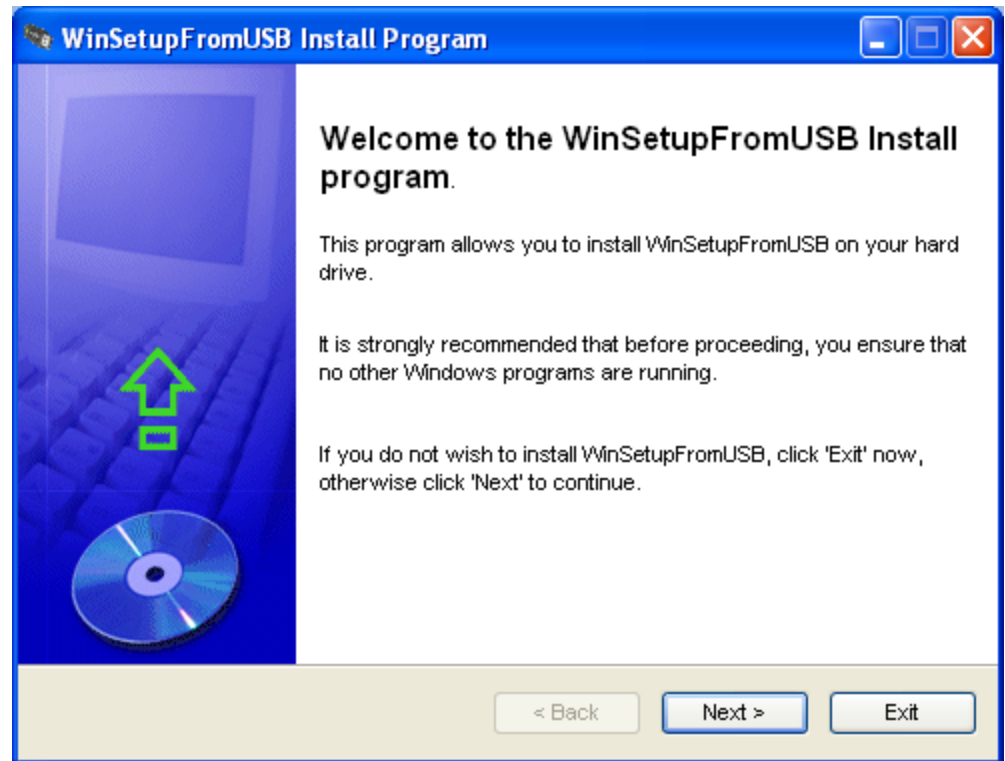
# Run the Download

When the File Download window appears, we need to press the Run command button. It will only take a few minutes to download the 3.24 MB file.



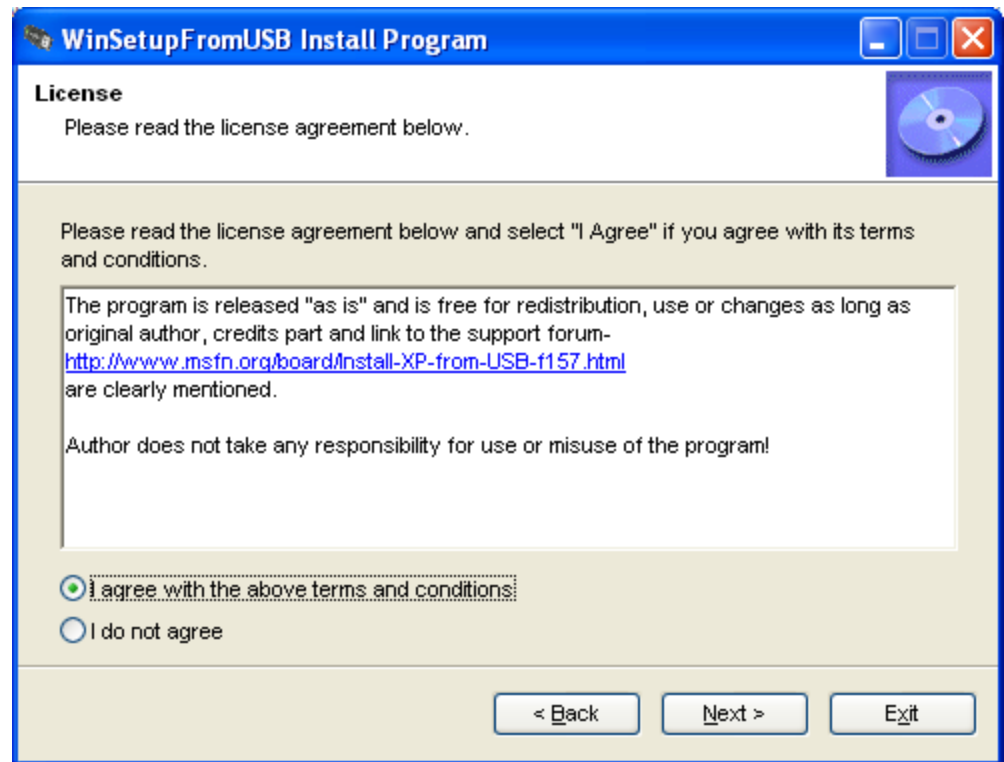
# Install WinSetupFrom USB

The WinSetupFrom Install program will begin. We press the Next button to continue.



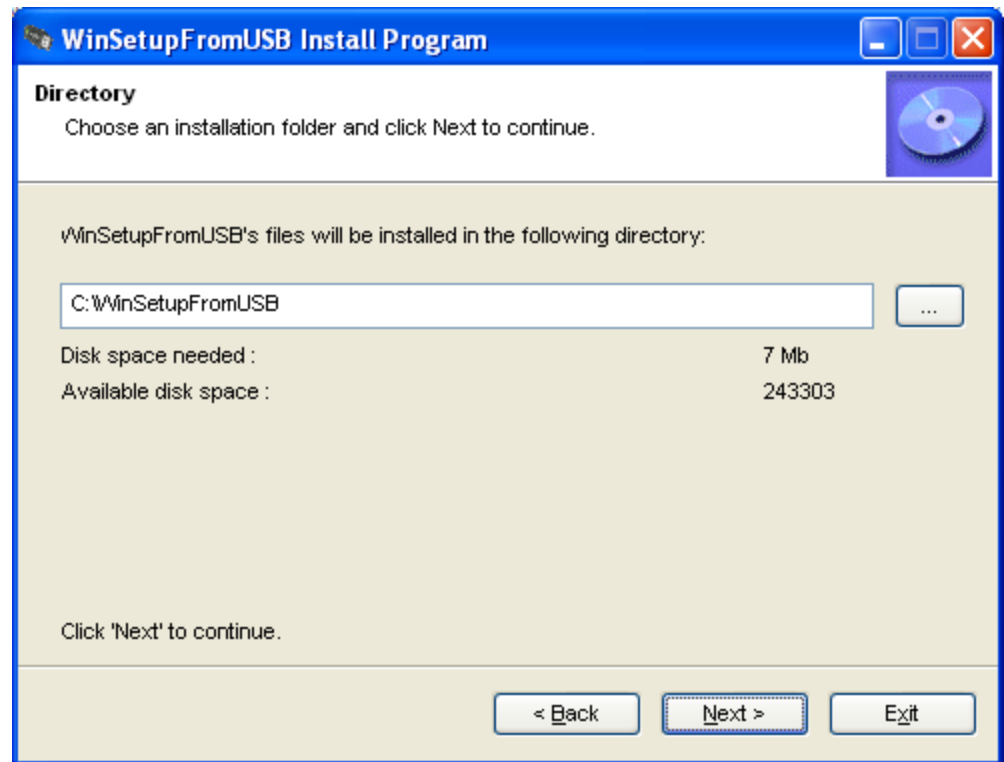
# EULA Window

To load the program, we opt to choose the I agree radial button and we press the Next button to carry on.



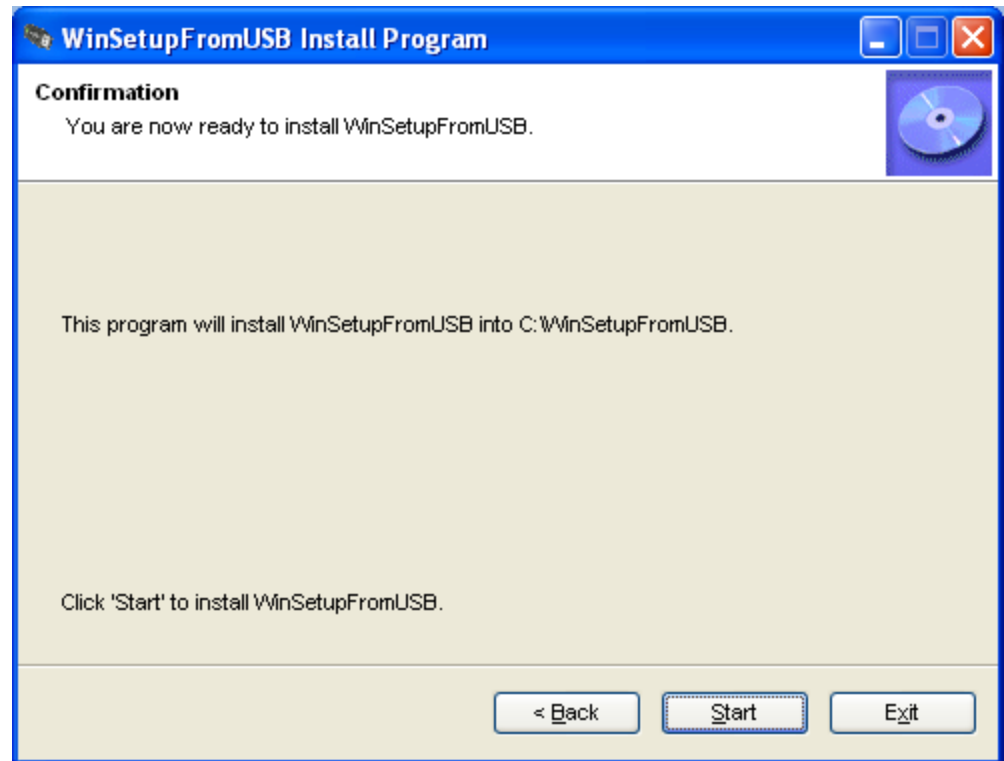
# Write to a Directory

We will retain the directory in the textbox where the program will be installed. We then choose the Next button to continue.



# Confirm the Installation

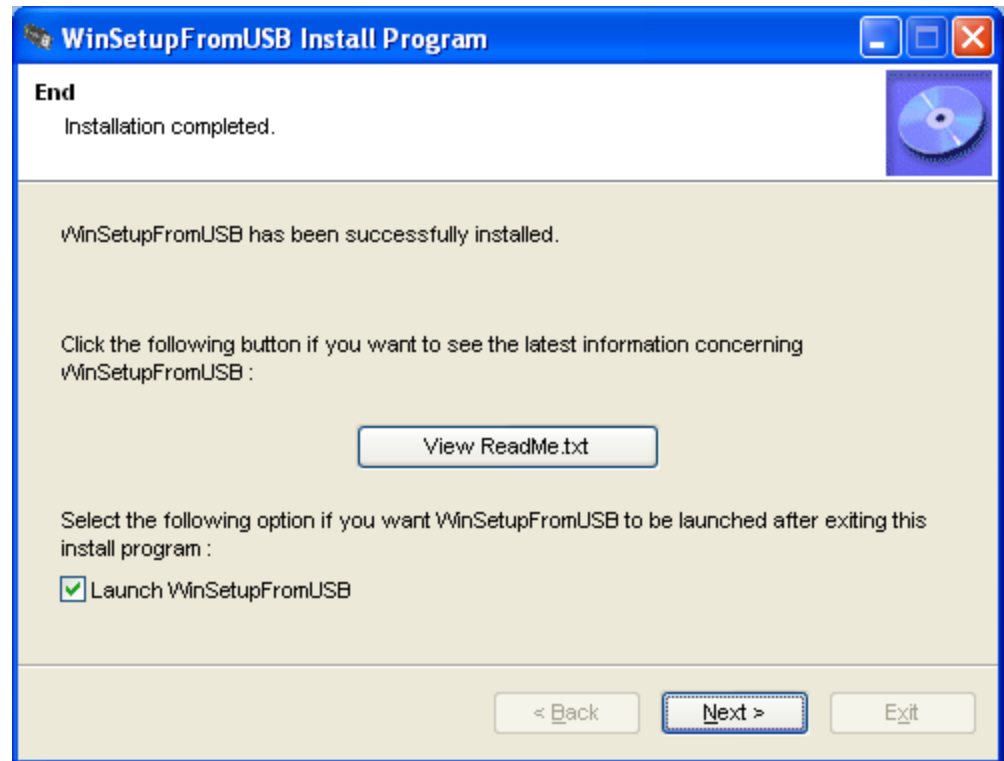
Then next window will state where the software will be loaded. We press the Start button to advance.





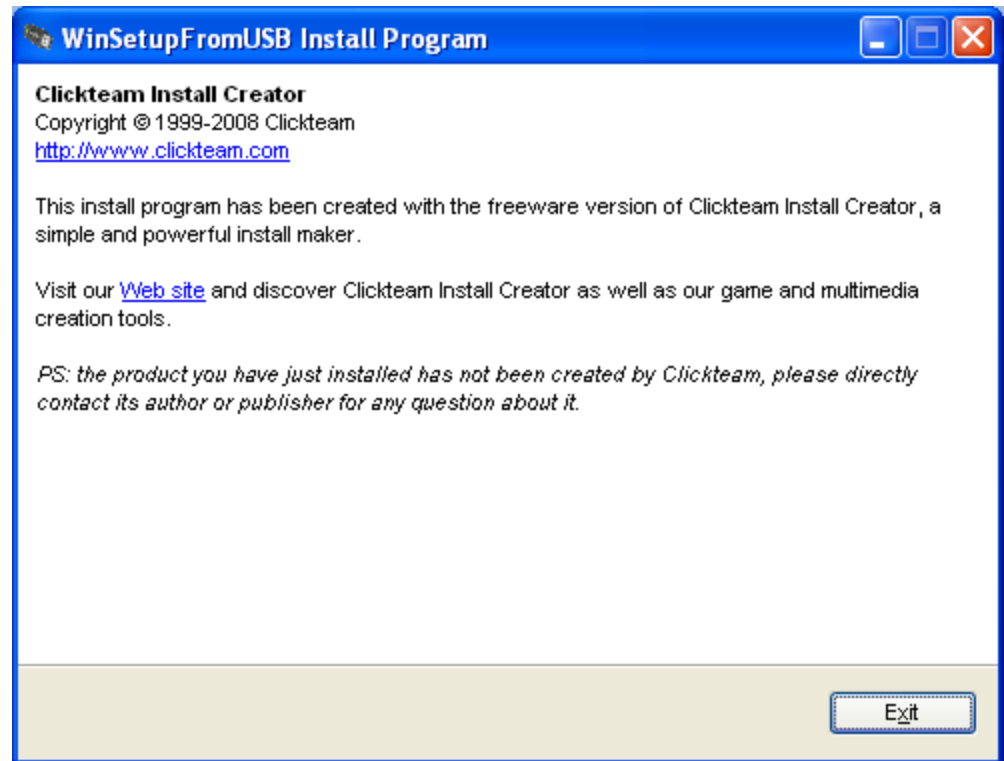
# Installation Complete

The WinSetupFromUSB program will install. When the program is completely loaded, we can launch it by pressing the Next button.



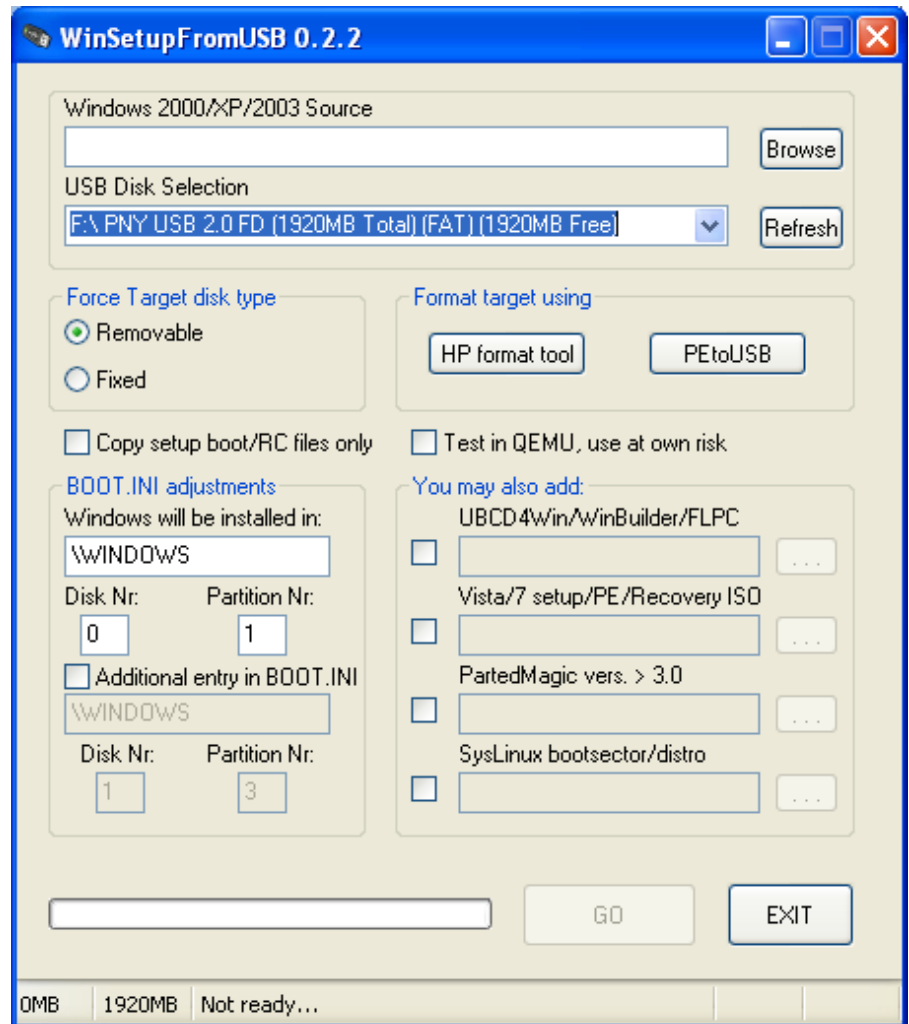
# Copyright Information

The last window has information about the freeware software. We can press Exit to go on.



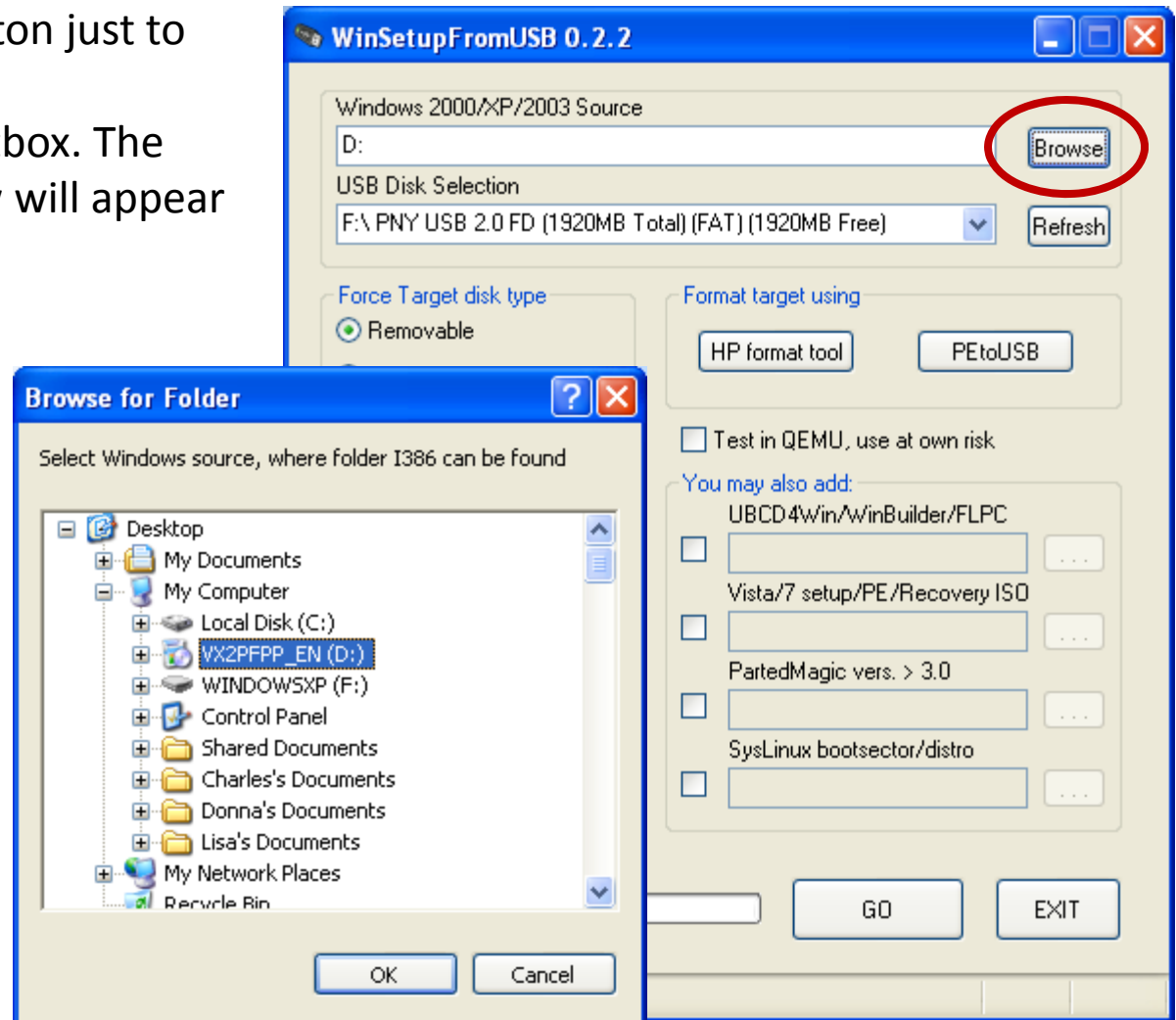
# Start WinSetupFromUSB

We start WinSetupFromUSB and our 2 GB flash drive will show up in USB Disk Selection.



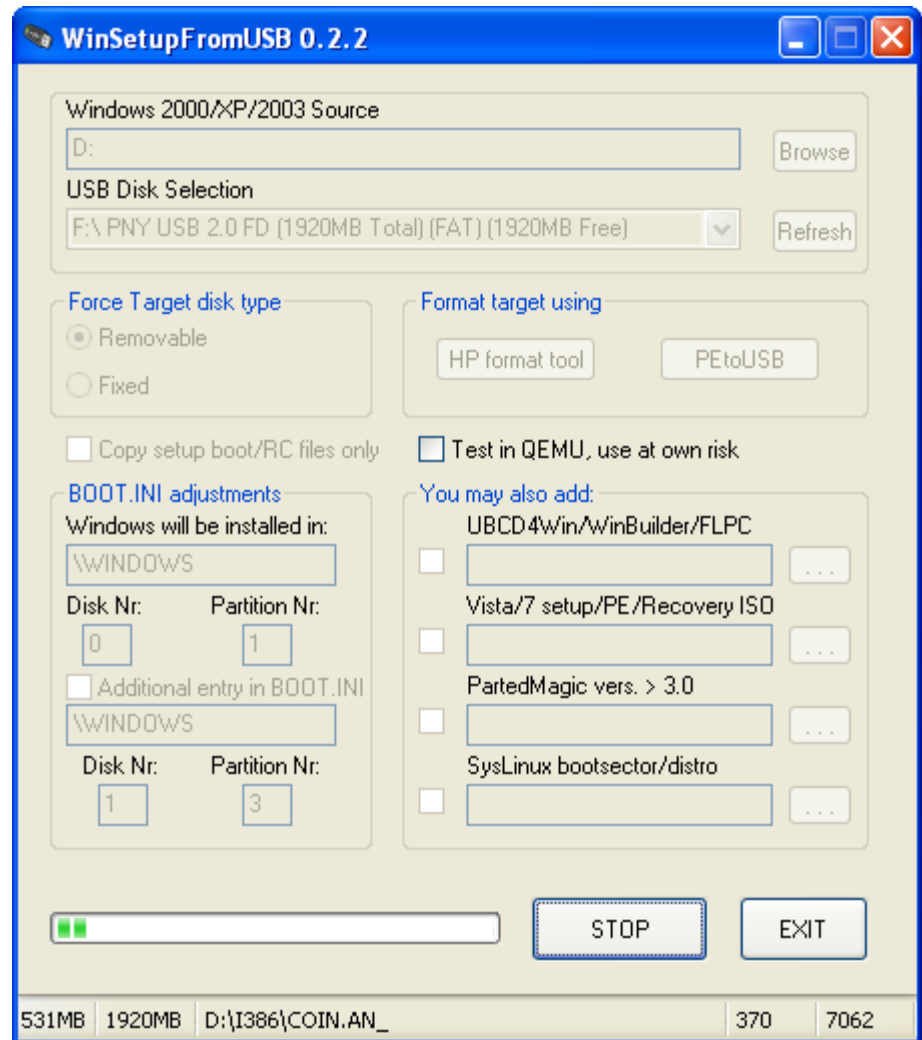
# Open the Windows XP CD

We select the Browse button just to the right of the Windows 2000/XP/2003 Source textbox. The Browse for Folder window will appear and we select the D drive.



# Installing the OS to a USB Drive

We press the Go button and the it will take about 15 minutes to create the USB Windows XP Professional flash drive.



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When the program is done, the USB has the following folders and files on it.

