

Privacy Browser - Feature #714

Consider making Monocles the default search engine

05/20/2021 09:50 AM - Soren Stoutner

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Description			
I want to use it for a couple of months first to see how well it works.			

History

#1 - 05/22/2021 11:42 AM - Soren Stoutner

My biggest concern is that, as a customized Searx instance, it will fall prey to the same rate limiting that other Searx instances have struggled with.

<https://www.stoutner.com/switching-to-startpage-as-the-default-homepage-and-search-engine/>

#2 - 05/26/2021 12:42 AM - Soren Stoutner

The image search on Monocles does not work with JavaScript disabled. And, when JavaScript is enabled, by default it returns an unacceptable amount of inappropriate images because several image engines that don't support safe search are enabled by default.

#3 - 06/30/2021 07:41 PM - Soren Stoutner

The unacceptable image problem has been addressed by Arne, and it seems I was incorrect about image searches not working with JavaScript disabled. Probably a user error on my part.

#4 - 06/30/2021 07:44 PM - Soren Stoutner

- File *Monocles Rate Limited Image Search.png* added

The biggest problem with Monocles is that, when under load, it is rate limited by upstream search engines, just like every other Searx instance I have used. For example, see the attached screenshot, where a number of the images were not populated because they were rate limited.

Files

Monocles Rate Limited Image Search.png	2.21 MB	07/01/2021	Soren Stoutner
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