Installing Tiki on 1&1

This is to note things that deviate from the regular installation instructions.

http://1and1.com/

WebspaceExplorer

1and1 has a nice tool which lets you unzip the files on the server. This is much faster than uploading all the files.

So when you download Tiki, get the .zip version

unzip on server via WebspaceExplorer can take 30-40 seconds

Make sure you have PHP5

You may get something like this:

Parse error: syntax error, unexpected T_STRING, expecting '{' in tiki-install.php on line 48

By default, it's still PHP Version 4.4.9 as of 2010-11-06
http://faq.1and1.com/scripting_languages_supported/php/5.html

With the proper .htaccess, it becomes 5.2.6

This will change over time (and perhaps from server to server but at the time of writing)
phpMyAdmin is 2.6.4
MySQL: 5.0.91

Database is not localhost

This is not uncommon. When you are in tiki-install.php, make sure to replace *localhost* with the value provided by 1and1

File uploads

With default configuration, file uploads are broken. ref: Understanding Encoding

You can solve by
1- using 5.4 or 6.0
2- apply this patch:
http://tikiwiki.svn.sourceforge.net/viewvc/tikiwiki?view=revision&revision=30000
3- use adodb, instead of pdo as per http://tiki.org/ReleaseNotes5.0#Database_Encoding_Issues

thing to check
* Performance & what are differences of various plans

Error 500

I solved them with this instruction "**RewriteBase /**" after the "RewriteEngine On" in the .htaccess:

(...) <IfModule mod_rewrite.c> RewriteEngine On RewriteBase / (...)

Alias names of this page:
1and1