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Ashlet says

i didn't want to give only 3 stars. this chapter been really funny, but it only had 18 pages! i was really disappointed about that coz' the first chapter had 54 pages even the second chapter had more pages in it. i really wanted more of it. it was so funny!
i really think i would've given it 4 stars maybe even 5 stars if only there was more of it!

Mello ♡ Illium ★Harry★ ?Myrnin? Torin Ichimaru says

Synopsis:

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My Thoughts:

Things are getting pretty bad with these Shikoku demons around. The violence is amped up and with Nurarihyon missing, Rikuo is left in charge, but the Nura clan Executives have issues with following him. The lesser yokai seem to be having the same issue. It gets worse when Rikuo sends Gozumaru and Mezumaru off to spy on the enemy and they come back severely injured. Then Rikuo collapses and the yokai start to lose faith even more. After a lecture from Zen, Rikuo and some of the yokai from the Main house go through the Rite of Brotherhood where the yokai pledge their loyalty to their leader. Next thing you know, the Nura clan is on its way to a yokai street fight with the 88 Demons of Shikoku. Who will win?! Things aren't looking so great for Rikuo at the moment and it looks like it's Yuki-Onna to the rescue!

Then there's a short bonus manga about Yura's visit to Kana's house. Kana invited Yura over because Yura was asking to know all about Rikuo. Kana seems to think Yura has a crush on Rikuo, but she also assumes that Rikuo likes her, but she offers to tell Yura everything she wants to know. In reality, Yura is just trying to discover if Rikuo and his night form are the same person. She's got some pervy thoughts in her head, though. What is up with those fantasies, Yura?!

Ash says

This series is receiving a solid 5 star rating and this review will be placed on every volume for organizational purposes.

Nura: Rise of the Yokai Clan, or just titled Nurarihyon No Mago ("Nurarihyon's Grandson", if I'm not mistaken) is something very dear to my heart. For one thing, I have never ever loved something so unconditionally that I would watch the anime in days and read the manga in days. I have loved many, many series, but not to where I actually felt the need to watch and read every part of the series. Another thing is, you know you love something when even though the last time you saw the title of that series was years ago, you somehow have learned the ability to not misspell the title no matter what. Serious love right there.

Nura is a 25 volume, 200 something chapter series. Needless to say, it is a long series. Now usually, this is where I get bored. This is normally the epitome of why I don't read much manga: the length. Even graphic novels get tiresome after fifteen or twenty volumes. But, while reading this series, I was entertained the entire time. I remember loving all of the arcs, the backstory. I remember loving all of the characters- even the most villainous ones, I loved them, especially the Kitsune- for one reason or another.

Because of that, I could easily give this five stars. Not to mention the fact that I just generally loved the story line. This is character driven, and when you love all of the characters, that's a fantastic thing. I love the action, the coming-of-age aspect, the slight bit of romance, and lord have mercy the background of Rikuo's (the protagonist) grandfather and father is so heartbreakingly tragic. Especially his father. Rikuo is basically a 1/4 yokai, which is in a way, a fancier name for demon. His father was a halfbreed and grandfather a full demon, breeding with humans each and every time. The entire character plot is focused on Rikuo accepting his heritage, taking on the responsibilities with it, and learning the skills he needs to properly lead his demon clan- the Nura Clan, as they were named.

Generally, this is not a very original thing- the child of a demon, learning to accept heritage and responsibilities kinda thing- but everything surrounding it, is so unique and amazing and definitely put a lot of time and thought into. I've never seen anything like it, and if you're willing to read 25 volumes worth of lovable characters and good art and wonderful development, please do.

Ronelle says

loved it.

Swiftsea says

Found this arc rather Anticlimactic. I'm rather aware that this is the final volume that encompass the whole first season of the anime, which is rather a downgrader since things finally get cooking when the Hatsumo-Gitsune arc kicks in. Rikuo stops being the half-hearted 1/4 youkai he is. He finally finds the strength to overwhelm other youkai with 'fears' and manifests, taking an incredible leap from his human character's personality. Beyond this arc, you see rather little of human Rikuo, which I find a pity.

Cody says

This volume starts off slow, but really picks up towards the end. I'm not gonna lie, at one point I was

considering giving up on the series, but as volume 5 began to come to a close, my interest in sticking with this series to the end was renewed. I really enjoy epic battles where supporting characters from the "good guys" are matched up with supporting villains. It was a major plus to see my home-boy Kappa get some spotlight in the volume. So while I initially had considered this book pegged for a 2 star rating, I happily give it 4 for the aforementioned reasons. Cool beans.

Dani - Perspective of a Writer says

The art in this manga keeps me coming back. Its so beautiful and I love when all the different Yokai are piled into a frame. The story is okay, I like the premise better than actual events which get boring at times.

The fighting is cool but I'm over Tamazuki already. Things are starting to pick up finally but I'm a little eh about it all.

The high stars is for the art, some of the best out there!

BOTTOM LINE: A little boring, probably better as anime.

Gabriela says

This one was very intriguing. Rikuo is really taking control and responsibility. That ending left me hanging though!

MissAnnThrope says

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*Tamazuki: Oh hey, there's Rikuo twelve feet away, standing behind my loyal legion.
Ah well, looks like I'll have to kill them all for standing in my way.
Ho-hum. Just another day in this crazy yōkai's life.*

Nicola Mansfield says

Reason for Reading: next in the series.

It's been a while since I read the last one so it took me a bit to get into this volume but this manga does start off with the list of characters and a brief "The Story So Far" which help to put you back into the plot. This volume is quite heavy with battles and the inside politics of the Yokai Clan. Rikuo has to prove his place as the leader of the clan while his grandfather is away and make his own loyalties within the clan rather than counting on existing ones. He is up against Tamazuki still, who finally shows his true Yokai form and Rikuo

and he do battle one on one leaving the book ending on an intense note. Enjoyable as far as the action goes, though little happens with character development, there is only a small storyline involving one of his classmates and I'd like to see more mixture of the two. A fast read and a good ending which will have me reading vol. 6 right away.
