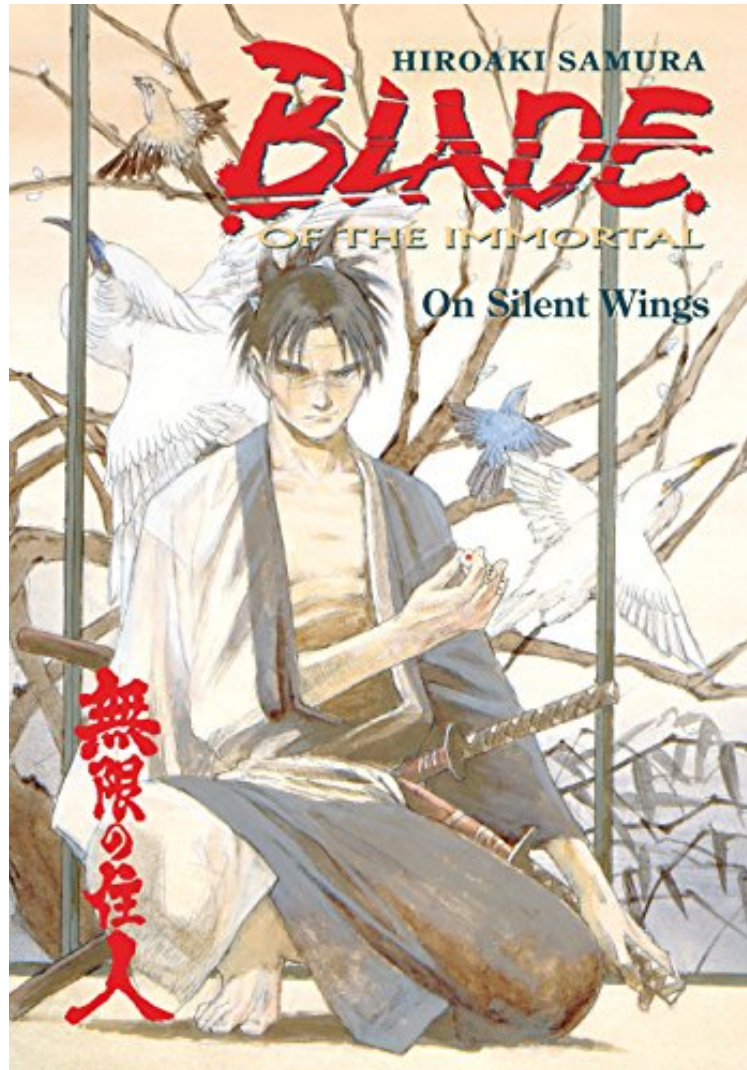


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**Von Hiroaki Samura : Blade of the Immortal Volume 4** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Blade of the Immortal Volume 4:

KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. I am impressedVon Gerardo Braham CaballeroI am really impressed by the capacity of Mr. Samura to change pace on a story. If you have read already the first three books of Sword of the Inmortal then you would be surprised too when you read this one. The first two books centered on conflict, Rin wants revenge and she gets it with the help of Manji, an inmortal samurai who has to kill a thousand evil men in order to rest. This two books are full of blood and flashy fighting scenes i really liked. But in the end you just got your classical story of the good guy versus the evil guys.

That's until Dreamsong, the third of the books in the series, here you find a girl who is an "evil" minion of the "evil" master sent to kill Manji, the surprise is that she is not so "evil" as we would like to believe and in the end you cannot stay on Manji's side when they duel. Then it comes "On Silent Wings" and you start wondering if you really need another duel or gross decapitation to buy the following books. At first i only saw the conflict, but after reading OSW i began noticing that Mr. Samura is more concerned for the moral dilemma than the physical one. This book tells us a story where Rin is the central character; no more Manji stealing the scene, we get to know her best and really love her, she meets face to face the man she has sworn to kill and discovers that he is not so wrong in doing what he did and does to this day, she is suddenly thrown in a conflict where she cannot find the righteous anger she had so far. Throw in the story a mask maker who wants to leave his past behind, a past that involves the reason of Rin to claim vengeance and you are just left wanting for more. Definitely a must buy, i want to show this book to anyone who thinks that comic books or manga books are not well thought; just a word of caution, buy this together with the second part On Silent Wings 2 or you will be running to the computer to order it after reading the first.0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. More depth for the characters, and great reading for us.Von endnowIn this, the fourth installment of the Blade of The Immortal series the focus is rarely on the "immortal" mentioned in the title. Instead we learn more about Rin and her ability to deal with challenges and adversity when she learns, much to her dismay, that her fighting abilities are not what she would like them to be (or rather, need them to be in order to actually survive a fight). Much of her personal introspection and growth comes after an encounter with the man whom she is sworn to kill: Kagehisa Anotsu. It is an encounter that at first Rin would rather have not had, but as the book continues on we see that speaking with Anotsu has changed Rin and her view of what she is doing with Manji and this quest of hers . . . at least it seems to have. The book ends on a mild cliffhanger that leaves you wondering just what the hell is going through Rin's mind, and what she's going to do next. This book is outstanding; either by itself or in the context of the larger series it is entertaining and interesting. Being not quite so heavy on the action as the previous three books it might seem as though it would drag, but the character motives and movement keep you interested right from the start. To be honest it would help if you have a working knowledge of the characters and their motivations as they are put forth in the previous books, if for no other reason than to reread them after you've finished On Silent Wings. Even though I am a big fan and feel like I know the story pretty well I still went back and reread the other three books, and I found that a little fore-knowledge really opened up the story. I can't wait for the fifth installment! Yeah, actually that's something else you may want to have on hand as well before you pick this one up, because you're going to wonder what the hell is going through that girl's head too!0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Samura: a great artist and storytellerVon Mary D. Strawser'On Silent Wings' is the fourth graphic novel in Hiroaki Samura's violent tale of immortality and the wages of revenge.This book starts out with Rin finally meeting her adversary, Anotsu, after two long years. Foolishly, Rin tries to face Anotsu alone and for a moment she faces death. This episode gives us the most insight into Anotsu's character to date. Rin's image of Anotus as a monster begins to dissolve. Anotsu is not a faceless, unfeeling entity; he's a human being, who may have better justification for his quest that Rin has for her's.The second story arc involves one Kawakama Araya, another member of the Itto-Ryu. Apparently, Rin has some special reason for hating Araya, but she's not forthcoming with the information. Rin's gut reaction is to kill him but. . . does she? This story ends in a cliffhanger, which will be concluded in 'On Silent Wings, II.'This novel marks a turning point in the series. Up to now, Rin and Manji have traveled around, meeting the Itto-Ryu kenshi and killing them. From this point on, it is far more complex and difficult. The line between 'enemy' and 'friend' becomes profoundly blurred.I highly recommend this novel to anyone. You'll have to look a long time before you find such masterful storytelling, such rich characters, and such breathtaking artwork.

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