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While on their journey, Cooro and the others pass through large and lively Maggie Vil. The soft-spoken town leader Maggie convinces Cooro and company to go watch the world-famous coliseum games. Will Cooro and the others find their way out of the coliseum? 13 and up.

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Mike says

+Anima is starting to dig in a bit on long running plot points. It's possible to understand things starting here but it's best to go back to the beginning.

After having a single arc take up most of the last volume, we're back to the more typical shorter tales this time. The only two-part story is The Boy Who Loved a Mermaid in the middle of the volume, which revolves around Husky getting mistaken for a girl yet again. Contact, House of Apples and Teddy Bear all focus on other members of the group and introduce supporting characters with various backstories and reaction to +Anima that seem like they'll appear again. All four stories keep up the great characterizations that have been established and are decent enough, but I personally found them a touch less interesting than what I'm used to for this series.

On the other hand the final chapter, Moss Mountain, turns up the intrigue heading into volume 6 as an old "friend" joins our group as they wander into Kimunkle territory. There's a couple of hints here about the backstory that's been hanging over the series and several related plot threads coming together. Senri obviously looks to be heavily featured as we go forward.

Overall this volume was fine. Nothing terribly remarkable until the strong finish but nothing bad either and no real loss of momentum.

Lys Robison says

You can read my thoughts on the book by going to my blog <http://lysbooklist.blogspot.com/p/blo...>

Lanie says

No.

Still not living up to the full potential of this awesome idea. :(

It could have been great. But the end product that I just read... No. Not good. Much too juvenile. Could have been dark and epic tragic.

Instead it's goofy and episodic in nature with absolutely no overarching plot.

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Not recommended. It's simply not worth the read anymore, even if my library does have it and I can read it for free. I actually skimmed the last few pages. That's how bad it was.

The art is nice enough, I'll give it that.

Kristen says

Adorable book!

Jey says

Me likey this series. It's a pretty good manga. :P

Christina says

Winter is coming fast and the gang must find a place to call shelter before the conditions get too bad. But how are +anima ever supposed to find a place to call home when they are outcasted and hated by so many? And the bear inside of Senri seems to be awakening... will we now be able to see what lies underneath his black eyepatch and calm exterior?

Well, well, well, Senri is finally getting a larger role in the story! Around the time I stopped reading +Anima a couple years ago, I had a feeling by about the next volume (this one) or next few chapters that Senri's secret would be hinted at and that in the end of the whole series, it would ultimately show that he was the main character. Hmm. I have a feeling now that that isn't quite right... but fairly close! Maybe?

Rena says

Holy Smokes! What exactly are you hiding Senri? There is a bear in front of you, and you just stand there staring at it. I can definately see an overall plot coming into play. It is finally clear why they +anima group and the military keep running into one another. However, why is this girl following the +anima group? She is spying on them like she is studying them, but I cannot see a reason why exactly. She looks a lot like Cooro, so maybe they are related? So many questions have begun to pop up.

Leila Anani says

This volume is stilly pretty episodic although we are definitely starting to develop a deeper story and it ends very much on a cliff hanger, so have book 6 on hand.

The first episode has Cooro and co end up at the house of apples. A woman still makes apple pies even though her son has disappeared. At the end of this we learn he was abducted by a black winged angel from the circus. But if it is indeed husky then why does he have no memory or connection to the place???

Hmmmmmmmm

Next is a two part story - the boy who loved a mermaid in which Husky rescues a boy called Kevin from drowning. Kevin, mistaking Husky for a girl falls in love with him.

Next we have teddybear in which Senri helps a little girl running away with a stolen teddybear.

And lastly we have moss mountain - Senri seems drawn to moss mountain where a clan of Kim-un-kur live. Soldiers from the next village want to use him to help make an alliance.

This series big selling point is the gorgeous BESM artwork. I also like the characters, although it is very slow to develop major plot arcs - we're on volume 5 and nothing major has come to light yet. Enchanting and fun, with beautiful art, this series is worth checking out, though so far lacks much depth.

R says

I love these characters!! The storyline is so interesting and you never know what will come up next! To be continued endings are rough though!! It's so hard to wait for the next volume!

Kira says

niiiiiiiice.

Evelyn says

I love the new winter clothes! Especially Senri's scarf; I want one!

Our group gains a mysterious new stalker who's very interested in +Anima. Then we come across a very sad tale of a lost child. Top that off with the story of the little mermaid. Wander off to have an adventure with a small child and a stuffed bear. And end with a dramatic standoff where Senri journeys to meet his Kim-un-kur tribesmen. These guys look awesome.

This series has 10 volumes.

Brianna says

I love these books! They are so adorable and lovable. They are well-thought out and interesting and wonderful. Her characters all seem so real. They all have problems and really specific and personal histories that go back pretty far. Her characters aren't perfect, and she is able to make them come to life and feel like real human beings.

I love the idea behind this manga. I love the idea of being able to transform into an animal and have cool powers and be special. (I wish I could do it. That would be so cool!)

My best friends gave these to me to read. They were the first manga I ever read in my entire life and I didn't get it at first. They had the books and I tried reading it, but I couldn't figure out how to read it backwards,

and so the first book they read it out loud to me <3 Aren't they sweet? Anyways, I decided that I wanted to continue reading them online, and I was just planning to just look at +Anima a little bit and I ended up reading like the first 7 books in two days (It would've been sooner except I had school and sleep and whatnot, stupid distractions!)

Senri is my favorite!! He is so adorable! I definitely recommend these books to those who love mangas, and to those who love animals, and to those who love interesting stories. This is a very good series with wonderful writing and amazing art!

Anna says

From my not-so-vast manga experience, I can safely conclude that in the first few volumes, the plot seems to kind of wander. We get introduced to the characters, some concepts, the world, and then after a few volumes, things start to connect and an actual plot forms.

I just don't see that happening with this series. We have some cardboard characters with animal powers, and they have one quirk each. They travel around the world where a bunch of side characters interact with them. Stuff happens, one of the characters is thought to be a girl, one of the characters puts a flower in a book, one of the characters fantasizes about marrying a rich man and one of the previously mentioned characters gets all angry about it, etcetera. The art is really cool, in my opinion, but the story? Not as cool.

Sarah Maddaford says

While, Husky's continuing struggles to prove that he is male are certainly amusing and Cooro's appetite is never ending, neither are really enough to carry a whole volume. We still know virtually nothing about Cooro and Husky because most of their past before meeting each other has barely been mentioned. What we know about Nana basically tells us why she is a +Anima, but not why she won't seek out her mother. And Senri is still mostly just the quiet occasionally violent guy. The only overarching theme to connect the books is that +Anima aren't seen as human and are treated poorly as a result. I think I understood that in the first 4 volumes though...

Sandra (Page by Page) says

And this is what I called a filler volume, except in the last part where Senri's past is about to emerge.
