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Goh and Taki work as underground drugs and arms snatchers! Their fate begins to twist when people that claim to be Taki's "foster parents" show up. As Taki's mysterious past becomes unraveled, the two become exceedingly closer.

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From Reader Review Yellow, Volume 03 for online ebook

sucker4synth says

I haven't read the first two volumes but was still able to enjoy this one. Goh and Taki are partners who steal drugs and guns from bad guys. Goh likes dudes, and likes Taki, who I guess doesn't like dudes, or really is just ambiguous about the who thing. Taki is trying to hide his past from Goh who is trying to figure this guy out, and also drink lots of whiskey. And also kiss him a bunch. All kinds of stuff that would never happen in real-life, but, oh, the delicious angst!

Elizabeth says

I seriously couldn't stop reading this book, and I'm glad I had all four volumes so that I didn't have to!

SoAmy says

Overly dramatic angst in mange form. I'm completely and totally addicted. (And currently heading to B&N to order the last volume. heh.)

Hellen says

4,5 stars

I need some tissues.

Marsha says

Kei has left, devastated over Goh's indifference towards him. But he's not finished with Goh yet as a new player enters the scene... There is something very contrived about this new plot twist. What with melodramatic appearances, disappearances, unexpected connections to other characters and sudden character changes; it's just like a soap opera! Taki is actually attracted to men but he's buried it because of a repressed horror from his childhood. Someone from his past re-appears with dramatic news. His parents turn out to be criminals! What's next? His long-lost twin shows up?!? Taki's past does add dimension to his character but I felt it could have been done without the overblown surprises.

Kirsti says

The third installment of this manga, and things are getting more and more serious for Taki and Goh. But even after they finally make the plunge, will something drive them apart?

This book ends on a cliffhanger, so make sure you have the next book waiting. I've said in other reviews how much I enjoy this series, so I won't say it again. Definitely recommend, four stars.

DeeNeez says

A murder ties back to Taki's secret dark past. With it brings the realization that he's fallen in love with Goh. Sizzling chemistry, angst, and sex. And it's a cliff hanger!

Viridian5 says

Makoto Tateno's *Yellow* vol. 3 has plotting straight out of crack fanfic, except that not even crack fanfic usually makes me laugh derisively this often. Turns out Taki wasn't saying no to Goh because Goh is far too aggressive and doesn't take no for an answer. Nope. Turns out that Taki's two male guardians turned out to be assassins, he eventually had his nose rubbed in it, and one of them came on rather forcefully to him after killing a mother and child.

Me: "...bwaahahaha! And so he became a womanizer! Bwahahahaa!"

So then the guardians return years later and the one had a sex change figuring that would make him more attractive to Taki and they're threatening to kill Goh if he doesn't leave with them.

So Taki admits that he loves Goh and has sex for the first time with him, then leaves without a word to save Goh's life. Goh gets to wake up and run out in time to see him get in the car with them and leave. He runs after the car yelling, while Taki looks at him sadly. End of volume 3.

And the sex wasn't even hot!

Me: "...I think I read this online a few times." Sad. I'm glad I browsed it instead of bought it. You mileage may vary, but I expect more than obvious crack angstalicious melodramatic wish fulfillment out of professional work.

Chelsea says

Online Eccentric Librarian says

More reviews (and no fluff) on the blog http://surrealtalvi.wordpress.com/

As far as plots go, manga authors can go pretty crazy. It works if they lead you into the insanity slowly - doing a 'wear down your suspension-of-disbelief' slowly type of approach. With Yellow, however, Tateno throws in a backstory for one of the characters that is, to be honest, preposterously silly and abruptly presented (i.e., out of the blue). Combine that with fairly bland characters without much chemistry, and the melodrama feels overplayed.

Story: Taki is still resisting Goh's advances. But the surprising death of one of their targets brings Taki's terrifying past back to haunt both of them. What will Taki sacrifice to protect Goh?

So yes - the elephant in the room here is the rather random reveal of Taki's 'parents'. I won't go into too much detail due to spoiler reasons but this entire volume is about their return and how it affects both Taki and his relationship with Goh.

Goh remains a very one-dimensional character - some really like that aggressive and single minded type of lead. For me, it typically translates into a case of "he's hot, so he must be the perfect match" type of scenario that I just can't get behind. I really want there to be more between two people and to see a spark or chemistry. But all we get is Goh being a jerk/insensitive and Taki taking it. It's disaffecting, really - tough guys can be marshmallows inside, too!

So I didn't really get into Yellow. On the one hand, I love the larger format of the physical paperback. But on the other hand, the story here got really, really silly.

Oyceter says

A little better... we now get into angsty pasts, of course!

Full review: http://oyceter.livejournal.com/634730... (minor spoilers for entire series)

Darkuria says

There is more intense drama development in this volume and I couldn't stop reading, it has more a plot line that is going to continue in the last volume, I don't want to give details but I like more this part of the story.

Anna says

A good volume for this series. I love this part of the plot. Everything is thrown into jeopardy and the series plotline has almost reached its highest peak. Also, I love the tender scene between Taki and Goh - beautifully and tastefully done. The tasteful sex/love scenes are what make Yellow such a good yaoi series.

Leila Anani says

We get Taki's back story in this one and find out that he was fostered by a pair of assassins. Mizuki was in

love with Taki but took it to heart when he told him that he couldn't love either a man or a killer. 6 years and a sex change later Mizuki's back and she wants Taki.

Taki and Goh finally get together in this one only to be cruelly torn apart as Taki sacrifices himself to save his partner.

Gripping, emotionally charged story with fab artwork. You'll need volume 4 on hand as this does end on a cliffhanger...

Yaoi at hits finest. Recommended.