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The sect was
said to
harbour dark
designs to
overthrow the
government.
Its teachers

used a dead
language that
was
impenetrable
to all but the
innermost
circle of
believers. Its
priests
preached love
and kindness,
but helped
local warlords
acquire
firearms. They
encouraged
believers to

cast aside
their earthly
allegiances
and swear
loyalty to a
foreign god-
emperor,
before seeking
paradise in
terrible
martyrdoms.
The cult was
in open revolt,
led, it was
said, by a boy
sorcerer.
Farmers

claiming to have the blessing of an alien god had bested trained samurai in combat and proclaimed that fires in the sky would soon bring about the end of the world. The Shogun called old soldiers out of retirement for one last battle before peace could be declared in Japan. For there to be an end to war, he said, the Christians would have to die. This is a true story.

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Macmillan

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for a samurai primer, Clements' guide will keep you on the hook' Japan Times, reviewed as part of an Essential Reading for Japanophiles series From a leading expert in Japanese history, this is one of the first full histories of the art and culture of the Samurai warrior. The Samurai emerged as a warrior caste in Medieval Japan and would have a powerful influence on the history and culture of

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The Faithful

Vertical Inc Japan underwent tumultuous changes in the eighteenth century. The merchant class was rising in power, and the privileges of the

professional warriors, or "samurai", were disappearing. The 47 Ronin Story is the classic story of Lord Asano of Ako and one of the bloodiest vendettas in Japan's feudal history. In 1701 in Edo, Japan, Lord Asano of Ako lashed out at a corrupt court official and set in motion a chain of events that shocked the country and brought the Shogun himself to a legal and moral

impasse.
 When it was
 over, there
 emerged the
 most unlikely
 set of heroes-
 the forty-
 seven ronin,
 or "ex-
 samurai", of
 Ako.
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 name was
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 one of the
 greatest
 warriors who
 ever lived. His
 destiny was to
 become a
 great warrior
 like his father
 - a Samurai,
 one of the
 most feared
 and respected
 in the world.
 But before
 fame comes
 action, and
 Bennosuke
 must prove
 himself on the
 battlefield
 before he can
 claim his
 inheritance.
 And in his way
 stands the
 vengeful

Hayato, son of
 Lord Nakata,
 the face of the
 enemy, a man
 who is
 determined to
 kill
 Bennosuke. It
 is a battle
 between
 honour and
 vengeance,
 pride and
 reputation.
 And
 Bennosuke
 must look
 death in the
 eye before he
 can call
 himself a
 warrior.
 Before he can
 call himself
 Musashi, the
 greatest
 warrior of all
 time... 'A
 fascinating,
 exciting book,
 beautifully
 observed.

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A Novel
 Minotaur Books
 Based on William Scott Wilson's definitive translation, adapted by

scriptwriter and comic book/manga author Sean Wilson, and with lively drawings by well-known illustrator Chie Kutsuwada, this first-ever graphic treatment of what's considered the most influential of all samurai treatises is sure to delight manga fans, martial arts enthusiasts, and students of Japanese culture. Reminiscent of The Arabian Nights in structure, Hagakure is a collection of

tales and anecdotes that offer instruction and insight into the philosophy and code of behavior that foster the true spirit of Bushido – the Way of the Warrior. A young, upcoming samurai seeks the advice of an older, seasoned warrior who has become a Zen monk. The ambitious young samurai humbly begs to learn from the old master, who consents. So begins a

series of eventful meetings. At each sitting, the master tells his young student tales of samurai past. Tales of famous warriors are recited, as well as ignoble gaffs. With brutal, unrelenting samurai justice, wrongs are righted and judgment is enacted. With each incident, the young novice learns what it means to be a samurai. Learns what courage and right thought are. Learns

the harsh realities and subtle wisdom of his age. Writer Sean Wilson and illustrator Chie Kutsuwada both bring ample experience in the genre to this project. And, as an added bonus, William Scott Wilson, the translator of the original Kodansha International version of the book, provides an illuminating Afterword. *A Novel* Canelo 1581, In the midst of Japan's warring

states, a group of four shinobi have just become some of the few survivors of a scattered tribe. The legendary warlord, Nobunaga Oda, a man obsessed with the unification of Japan, is responsible for the devastation upon the shinobi's home village. In order to avenge their clan, two young brothers make a pact with the former comrades of their father. Unaware, the shinobi are

dragged into a mysterious journey in search of a legacy left by their departed mentor that will change the destiny of a nation. Real people and events that delves deep into the culture of an epic era, packaged into an entertaining story of adventure and mystery.

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The Ronin's Mistress is a brilliant new twist on the fabled tale of the 47 Ronin, from Laura Joh Rowland--an

author with "a painter's eye for the minutiae of court life [and] a politician's ear for intrigue." -- The New York Times Book Review Japan, 1703. On a snowy night, 47 warriors murder the man at the center of the scandal that turned them from samurai into masterless ronin two years before. Clearly this was an act of revenge--but why did they wait so long? And is there any reason they should

not immediately be ordered to commit ritual suicide? Sano Ichiro, demoted from Chamberlain to his old post as Most Honorable Investigator of Events, Situations, and People, has mere days to solve the greatest mystery of samurai legend--while his own fortunes hang in the balance. *The Code of the Samurai (The Manga Edition)* Tuttle Publishing
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Samurai Prints
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 In the year
 1311, in the
 highest tower
 of Cloud of
 Sparrows
 Castle, a
 beautiful
 woman sits by
 the window,
 watching as
 enemies
 gather below
 and fires
 spread
 through the
 night. As she
 calmly awaits
 her fate, she
 begins to
 write,
 carefully
 setting down
 on a scroll the
 secret history
 of the
 Okumichi
 clan...of the
 gift of
 prophecy they

share and the
 extraordinary
 destiny that
 awaits them.
 For six
 centuries,
 these
 remarkable
 writings lay
 hidden—until
 they are
 uncovered by
 an American
 woman, a
 missionary
 named Emily
 Gibson, who
 arrived in Edo
 harbor in
 1861, in flight
 from a tragic
 past. Soon an
 extraordinary
 man would
 enter her life:
 Lord Genji of
 the Okumichi
 clan, a
 nobleman with
 a gift of
 prophecy who
 must defend

his embattled
 family—and
 confront
 forbidden
 feelings for an
 outsider in his
 midst. Emily,
 too, soon finds
 herself at a
 turning point;
 courted by
 two
 westerners,
 she knows her
 heart belongs
 to the one
 man she
 cannot have.
 But Emily has
 found a
 mission of her
 own:
 translating
 Genji's
 ancestral
 history, losing
 herself in an
 epic tale of
 heroism and
 forbidden
 love. For here
 is the story of

Lady Shizuka, the beautiful witch-princess who has enchanted Okumichi men for generations... of Genji's ancestors, Lord Hironobu and Lord Kiyori, and of the terrible betrayals that befell them...and of Genji's parents: a wastrel father and his child bride whose tragic love has shaped Genji as a leader and as a man. As Emily sifts through the fragile scrolls, she begins to see threads of her own life

woven into the ancient writings. And as past and present collide, a hidden history comes to life, and with it a secret prophecy that has been shrouded for centuries, and may now finally be revealed. Takashi Matsuoka's spellbinding novel is infused with spectacle, intricately woven, magically told. Autumn Bridge is a feast for the senses, a work of truly dazzling

storytelling. **Ninja** Forge Books Loyalty, revenge and swordplay—the classic Japanese tale of the 47 ronin retold for a new audience Of Great Renown in Nottinghamshire Dark Horse Comics "We all know bad manners when we see them," NPR and Vanity Fair contributor Henry Alford observes at the beginning of his new book. But what, he asks, do good manners look like in our day

and age?
 When someone answers their cell phone in the middle of dining with you, or runs you off the sidewalk with their doublewide stroller, or you enter a post-apocalyptic public restroom, the long-revered wisdom of Emily Post can seem downright prehistoric. Troubled by the absence of good manners in his day-to-day life-by the people who clip their toenails on the subway or

give three-letter replies to one's laboriously crafted missives-Alford embarks on a journey to find out how things might look if people were on their best behavior a tad more often. He travels to Japan (the "Fort Knox Reserve" of good manners) to observe its culture of collective politesse. He interviews etiquette experts both likely (Judith Martin, Tim Gunn) and unlikely (a

former prisoner, an army sergeant). He plays a game called Touch the Waiter. And he volunteers himself as a tour guide to foreigners visiting New York City in order to do ground-level reconnaissance on cultural manners divides. Along the way (in typical Alford style) he also finds time to teach Miss Manners how to steal a cab; designates the World's Most Annoying Bride; and tosses his own

hat into the ring, volunteering as an online etiquette coach. Ultimately, by tackling the etiquette questions specific to our age-such as Why shouldn't you ask a cab driver where's he's from?, Why is posting baby pictures on Facebook a fraught activity? and What's the problem with "No problem"?-Alford finds a wry and warm way into a subject that has sometimes been seen as

pedantic or elitist. And in this way, he looks past the standard "dos" and "don'ts" of good form to present an illuminating, seriously entertaining book about grace and civility, and how we can simply treat each other better.

Winter

Raven Little, Brown Outcast Kai joins a group of ex-samurai robbed of their position by the murder of their original leader by their overlord, and

together they face a series of harrowing trials as they seek vengeance against the murderer. *Samurai* Random House "A story of honor and bloody revenge." The legend of the 47 ronin is one of the most popular and best known stories about the samurai in Japan. It is often referred to as the country's "national legend" and is the most revered example of

the samurai code of honor, bushido, put to the ultimate test. The story tells of a group of samurai who, in 1701, were left leaderless (becoming ronin) after their daimyo (feudal lord) Asano Naganori was compelled to commit seppuku (ritual suicide) for assaulting a court official named Kira Yoshinaka. The ronin, led by Asano's chief counselor, Oishi Yoshio, avenged their master's honor by

killing Kira, after waiting and planning for almost two years. In turn, the ronin were themselves forced to commit seppuku for committing the crime of murder. With much embellishment, this true story was popularized in Japanese culture as emblematic of the loyalty, sacrifice, persistence, and honor that people should preserve in their daily lives. The popularity of the almost

mythical tale was enhanced by rapid modernization following the fall of the shogun during the Meiji era of Japanese history. Many versions of the events appeared and the story of the 47 ronin continues to be popular in Japan to this day. This book traces the history of the story through various retellings. It includes the first English version to appear in print, from Isaac Titsingh's "Illustrations

of Japan," published in 1822, plus the second from "The Capital of the Tycoon" by Rutherford Alcock. It also includes in full "The Forty-Seven Ronins" from "Tales of Old Japan" by A. B. Mitford (plus his account of seppuku/harakiri), "The Loyal Ronins" by Shunsui Tamenaga, translated by Shiuichiro Saito and Edward Greey and "The Forty-Seven Ronin" by James Murdoch from "A History of Japan." This is a comprehensive collection which brings together some of the best known versions of the story and serves as a perfect introduction to the legendary tale of the 47 ronin. For more information please visit Purple Rose at www.purplerosebooks.com and view our other titles and new releases. [A Modern Guide to Manners](#) Tuttle Publishing After the execution of her father, the young and beautiful Lady Asano is in grave danger from the powerful Lord Kira. In order to save herself Asano must find Oishi, the leader of the fighting men of her clan. She believes he is three hundred miles to the southwest in the imperial city of Kyoto. Disguising her loveliness in the humble garments of a traveling priest, and calling herself Cat, Lady Asano travels the fabled Tokaido Road.

Her only tools are her quick wits, her samurai training, and her deadly, six foot-long naginata. And she will need them all, for a ronin has been hired to pursue her, a mysterious man who will play a role in Cat's drama that neither could have ever imagined. . . . At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied. *A Novel*
Robinson

A classic tale that will captivate lovers of Japan, history, and epic adventure alike. Japan's most celebrated tale of chivalry, loyalty and revenge—and the basis for a Hollywood feature film starring Keanu Reeves—47 Ronin is the epic tale of a heroic band of Samurai warriors who defy the Japanese Emperor to avenge the honor of their fallen master. The story begins in 1701

when the noble Lord Asano attacks an official at court. His punishment is swift and harsh—the Emperor orders Lord Asano to commit ritual suicide (harikiri). His lands are confiscated, his family exiled, and his Samurai warrior brigade is disbanded—becoming Ronin or masterless, wandering renegades. While appearing to follow the Emperor's instructions,

the 47 Ronin plot in secret for many years, biding their time until the moment to strike is right. Like the story of the Knights of the Round Table, the Ronin's deeds became legendary, iconic examples of courage, cunning and loyalty in an age when the Samurai were true heroes and honor was something worth dying for. John Allyn's vivid retelling, with a foreword by scholar and film advisor, Stephen

Turnbull, presents this epic of Japanese literature in its correct historical context. **47 Ronin** Tuttle Publishing Japan's enduring national legend comes to comics! The tale of the 47 Ronin and their epic mission to avenge their wronged master epitomizes the samurai code of honor, and creators Mike Richardson and Stan Sakai have done justice to their story!

Meticulously researched and beautifully illustrated, this collection of the acclaimed miniseries recounts this sweeping saga of honor and violence in all its grandeur. Opening with the tragic incident that sealed the fate of Lord Asano, 47 Ronin follows a dedicated group of Asano's vassals on their years-long path of vengeance! * From Mike Richardson (Star Wars:

Crimson Empire) and Stan Sakai (Usagi Yojimbo)! * Tons of bonus art and behind-the-scenes extras! "If you're a fan of the samurai genre then this is a no-brainer... if you've never given it a chance then this is the perfect gateway book to the genre." —Comic Bastards "Stan Sakai makes Japan all the more exciting with this comic, and Richardson's narrative builds an epic tale

reminiscent of Kurosawa's greatest films." —Graphic Policy **47 Ronin** Stone Bridge Press, Inc. In the tempestuous closing decades of the sixteenth century, the Empire of Japan writhes in chaos as the shogunate crumbles and rival warlords battle for supremacy. Warrior monks in their armed citadels block the road to the capital; castles are destroyed, villages plundered,

fields put to the torch. Amid this devastation, three men dream of uniting the nation. At one extreme is the charismatic but brutal Nobunaga, whose ruthless ambition crushes all before him. At the opposite pole is the cold, deliberate Ieyasu, wise in counsel, brave in battle, mature beyond his years. But the keystone of this triumvirate is the most memorable of

all, Hideyoshi, who rises from the menial post of sandal bearer to become Taiko--absolute ruler of Japan in the Emperor's name. When Nobunaga emerges from obscurity by destroying an army ten times the size of his own, he allies himself with Ieyasu, whose province is weak, but whose canniness and loyalty make him invaluable. Yet it is the scrawny, monkey-faced Hideyoshi--brash, impulsive, and utterly fearless--who becomes the unlikely savior of this ravaged land. Born the son of a farmer, he takes on the world with nothing but his bare hands and his wits, turning doubters into loyal servants, rivals into faithful friends, and enemies into allies. In all this he uses a piercing insight into human nature that unlocks castle gates, opens men's minds, and captures women's hearts. For Hideyoshi's passions are not limited to war and intrigue--his faithful wife, Nene, holds his love dear, even when she must share it; the chaste Oyu, sister of Hideyoshi's chief strategist, falls prey to his desires; and the seductive Chacha, whom he rescues from the fiery destruction of her father's castle, tempts his weakness. As recounted by Eiji Yoshikawa, author of the

international best-seller Musashi, Taiko tells many stories: of the fury of Nobunaga and the fatal arrogance of the black- toothed Yoshimoto; of the pathetic downfall of the House of Takeda; how the scorned Mitsuhide	betrayed his master; how once impregnable ramparts fell as their defenders died gloriously. Most of all, though, Taiko is the story of how one man transformed a nation through the force of his will and the depth of	his humanity. Filled with scenes of pageantry and violence, acts of treachery and self- sacrifice, tenderness and savagery, Taiko combines the panoramic spectacle of a Kurosawa epic with a vivid evocation of feudal Japan.
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