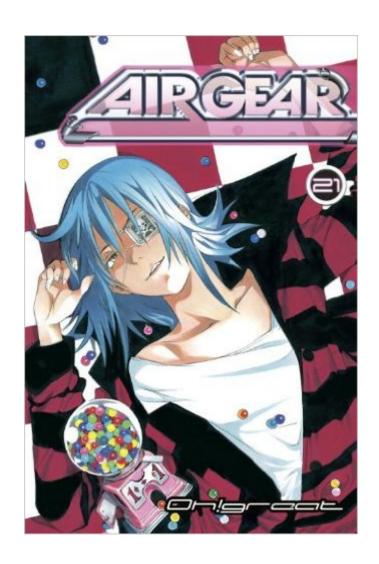
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Air Gear 21





Synopsis

Ikki Minami is a junior high school student with a dream - to become the best Air Trek rider in town. It won't be easy, as he faces a lot of competition from boys and girls alike. What is Air Trek? Just the latest craze that involves taking a two-wheel inline skate and adding a motor, suspension and a shock absorber to enable the wearer to execute the wildest, wackiest, most aggressive moves you can imagine. Ikki has a lot to learn as he fights his way to the top in this wild, sexy manga from the creator of Tenjho Tenge!IT'S RAINING BLOOD Â Ikki and his teammates are undergoing an intensive summer training camp in a secluded mountain town to prepare for their battle against Sora. But the town legends speak of a creepy temple submerged in the middle of the lake, and a dragon god that brings storms and floods. Meanwhile, foreign military forces in league with Genesis are sneaking into town, and Agito will be faced with his strongest test yet...This volume of Air Gear includes special extras after the story!

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Customer Reviews

I finally got to collecting the volumes of one of my favorite series, starting off with Volume 3 (buying cheapest, best condition ones first). First, I must say, I sure am glad Kodansha picked up the series from Volume 18 onwards. Del Rey, unfortunately, was doing a pretty bad printing job. The dialogue from some of the characters on various pages throughout the volume, get cut off, due to insufficient space. Volume 3 is mainly about Ikki vs Buccha, after Buccha beats up Ikki's friends Kazu and Onigiri. The winner of the "parts war" will dominate the school.

To the previous reviewer: huh? Why'd you whip out a college-level thesaurus to write a review? It's a manga. About inline skating. Seriously, Air Gear is a fun series, and the key to enjoying it is...not taking it too seriously!Okay, so what's Air Gear about? Like most shounen manga, there's warriors and fights, team matches and techniques and backstories and "getting stronger". Think Naruto. With more skating and boobies. "Airtrekking"is an x-treme sport where skaters wear high-tech skates and then battle in teams for territory and fame. In the first volume, lkki Minami is a 13-year-old junior high gangleader, the hailed "Babyface" of East Side. He suffers a humiliating defeat by the Stormrider (air-trekking) gang "Skull Saders," who then go on to target the friends and classmates he can't protect. His foster family, the Namayoma sisters, (notably Ringo, Ikki's bespectcled childhood friend)mysteriously reveal themselves as the legendary "Sleeping Forest," assisting Ikki in entering the Airtrek world to redeem his pride. Meanwhile, they keep the true nature of their Stormrider identities sercret. But could Ikki be significant to the Air Trek world in a deeper way than first percieved?...Oh!Great is an amazingly gifted mangaka, who, like his characters who hope to "fly" in the sky, does not limit himself. He is the rare talent who can appeal to a reader in every conceivable way. In Air Gear, there's comradery and friendship, fanservice that'll get both boys' and girls' attention, great fashion illustrations, and furious action scenes. Few are as skillful at anatomy as Oh!Great, who uses his skating theme to depict the human body with such fluid grace it looks like visual poetry on the page. (great for artists looking for references or inspiration.) There's plenty of hilarious cracks and sexy characters, (male and female), and it's all done with a casual good sense of fun. (Those who are utterly terrified by nudity and crude humor, stay away.) The story only gets better and better as it goes. Each character is notable in his or her own way, and they each get more coverage in later books as Ikki discovers his own niche in the Airtrek world. The plot flows smoothly, a bit trashy at times, really heart-warming at others, and majorly entertaining throughout. Oh!Great is a master at drawing backgrounds, dynamic figures, and character design, so no worries there. Air Gear is the complete package that just aims be fun and nothing else, so those who have no pretensions about enjoying a great peice of work, don't hold yourselves back.

Volume 22 practically has to do with the commencement of the Gram Scale Tournament.

Unfortunately for Team Kogarasumaru, Ikki forgets to submit the application. Prior to the commencement, it features a pretty action packed duel, between Ikki and Kazu, due to Kazu losing confidence and straying off their path. Excellent series.

For the digital version, starting with volume 3, the later volumes are either missing pages or the

pages are cropped to the point of being unreadable. They should not have been released in this condition. Do not buy if you intend to collect more than the first two volumes digitally.

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I liked the product except for one thing. There was a small hole on the lower part of the package of the manga and a small pink dot on the book itself. Fortunately there was no great damage inside of the book. Thank you!

A great fight takes place and lkki pinches some rockets Lol! Everything looks Awesome and as usual with Oh!Great, you can expect the artwork to be magnificent. The chart with the summary and character relationships is great. Gotta love them rockets!

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