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# A Girl On The Shore



## Synopsis

Longing for Something BiggerFrom the Eisner Award-nominated Inio Asano, creator of Solanin and Nijigahara Holograph, comes one of his most challenging works yet; an intense teen romance set in what may at first glance be one of the sleepiest places in Japan. When Koume and Keisuke's relationship begins to take shape, it is apparent that they are both searching for something. Maybe Keisuke wants something more than a kiss from the fair Koume. Maybe Koume is looking for someone better than Misaki, the local playboy. But what they find in each other over the course of a summer might be far greater than anything they were expecting. Their lives are going to change. And this will all transpire before high school exams!

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## Customer Reviews

Inio Asano (born 1980) is considered by many to be one of the biggest new names in manga of the '00's. Debuting in 1998 Asano was immediately thrust into the manga spotlight by earning praise from luminaries such as Naoki Yamamoto and Shin Takahashi. His ascent to stardom was very quick, and regrettably, the young man went into a bit of a slump soon after. But after four years of struggle and soul-searching as an assistant to some of Japan's most artistically respected comickers, Asano came back to become the voice of the modern Japanese adolescent. His breakthrough work SOLANIN captivated the globe earning him recognition in Japan and an Eisner Award nomination in North America. SOLANIN was later adapted into a cultish motion picture further cementing Asano's place amongst outsiders globally. Since 2002 Asano has penned 10 graphic novel series, dozens of short stories, and is now making in-roads as one of Japan's more popular graphic designers. In

2014 his most recent English language release Nishigahara Holograph was selected as one of the best graphic novels of the year by Publishers Weekly, Comics Alliance, Comics Resources, and Good OK Bad.

A beautiful illustration of a high-school teen discovering herself and dealing with her sexual desires and heartbreak. The best part is that it is a one volume manga. No bulls\*\*\*, the story is completed in one volume which I loved. Furthermore the art is AMAZING. The characters are relatable and the pacing is great. A must read for this good price.

Wow... This is a deeply moving read. I'll have to think on this quite a bit to write a review to do it justice. But just to say that this is a moving account of a boy and a girl coming to terms with their sexuality, and the complex feelings they have on the cusp of adulthood is not enough. This is amazing and yet seems like such a simple story. It's raw and explicit. It's heartbreakingly honest. The artwork itself is beautiful and can without words affect anyone reading the story. Not for the faint of heart, but I would say that A Girl on the Shore is a must read.

Inio Asano is a genius when it comes to creating breath taking imagery to describe a situation, he's amazing. The imagery and metaphors found throughout this manga are a plenty, and I find myself staring at each and every page for quiet a while. This story is a coming of age in a modern setting that is like none other I have read, it's simply gorgeous and I suggest everyone to at least peak inside to see what it's about. It covers the topics of teen romance, bullying, finding your sexuality, suicide and depression, family issues, and growing up. Although be warned, some of the images are definitely 18+ as there is quiet a bit of sexual interactions between minors, so if you are uncomfortable with that, this might not be your book. Overall though, I am proud to have this beautiful manga on my shelf.

Deep. One of the big if not the main reason why I love inio asanos stuff is his perception and realism he puts in his manga. Twisted ideologies, not being able to understand what love truly means. The art and story are truly a piece of work . Now understand this isn't for 18 and under is has nudity and isn't for a young mind you really need to be of age to understand the story for it to sink in . 5 out of 5 for me

The day this book came in I finished reading it that same night. It kept me interested all throughout.

There is a scene in the book with just pictures and lyrics to a song, and after finishing the book, I re-read that scene with the same song playing in the background and it hit me hard. Left me feeling like an empty void at the end. Excellent book.

I really enjoy most of Inio Asano's work. Something to note though if that even though the description of this product says "Teen Romance" this may not be a book suitable for all teens. There are depictions of sex between the two main characters, just something to be aware of when buying this book. Overall a sad but good read.

This is a very down to earth manga. It's focusing on a girl sexual exploration and growing older. I personally found it well drawn and style to be different and pacing to be interesting. Not my cup of tea however. But I read it through and felt not fully satisfied. But the immersion of the book is great and I can still say I appreciated this as more like art with symbolism of youth learning about themselves.

Its a decent read but not the interesting storyline like I have heard people claim.

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