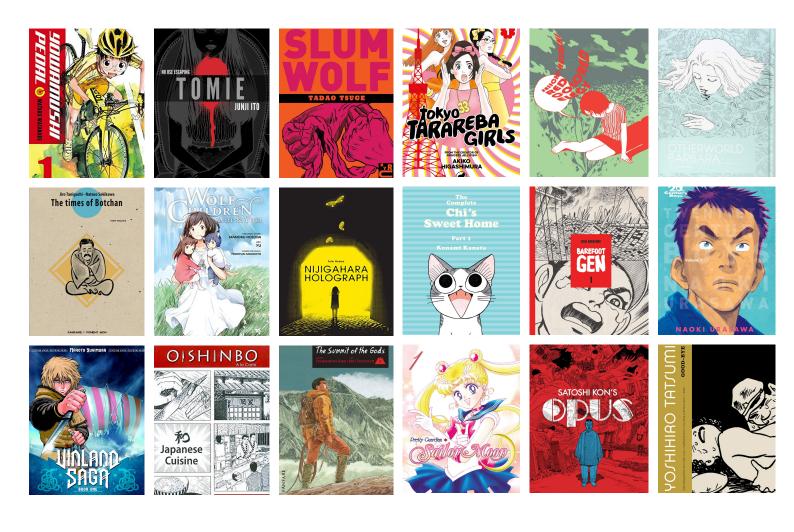


Manga

The Japanese comic book art form









"Manga is a visual narrative art form that has become a multimedia global phenomenon, telling stories with themes from gender to adventure, in real or imagined worlds."

To tie in with the British Museum's Manga exhibition, Gosh! has put together a list of the best and most well known titles as part of our major book promotion. If you cannot find a book on the list you can request it free of charge using our reservation service – ask a member of staff for more details.



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20th Century Boys volume 1 / Naoki Urasawa

An award-winning epic of doomsday cults, giant robots and a group of friends trying to save the world from destruction!

Abandon the Old in Tokyo / Yoshihiro Tatsumi

Many of the stories deal with the economic hardships of the time and the strained relationships between men and women, but do so by means of dark allegorical twists and turns.



Akira volume 1 / Katsuhiro Otomo

Reviewed as one of the most important manga of the 1980s.

Astro Boy Omnibus 1 / Osamu Tezuka

Can a robot have a soul? Built by a brilliant scientist to replace his lost son, but with powers beyond imagination, Astro Boy fights for the oppressed and helpless, whether they be human, alien or robot.





Ayako / Osamu Tezuka

Overflowing with imagery of the Cold War seen through Japan's eyes.

Barefoot Gen 1 & 2 / Keiji Nakazawa

Recounts the bombing of Hiroshima from the perspective of a young boy, Gen, and his family.







Black Jack volume 1 / Osamu Tezuka

Black Jack is a mysterious and charismatic young genius surgeon who travels the world performing amazing medical feats.





Blame! 1 / Tsutomu Nihei

In a dystopian future, a complex network of machines has pushed humanity to the brink.

The Book of Human Insects / Osamu Tezuka

Features Toshiko Tomura, a timeless leading lady, who possesses the unique ability to mirror the abilities of others, making her a celebrity at the tender age of 20.





Buddha: Kapilavastu volumes 1 & 2 / Osamu Tezuka Recount Siddhartha's spiritual journey on the path to enlightenment and becoming the Buddha.

Chi's Sweet Home volume 1 omnibus / Konami Kanata

This phenomenal feline is almost too 'kawaii' (cute) for her own good!





Cutie Honey: The Classic Collection / Go Nagai

Experience the ultimate collection of both volumes of Go Nagai's 1973 cult classic in one complete volume.

Death Note Black edition 1 / Tsugumi Ohba and Takeshi Obata

Light Yagami is an ace student with great prospects--and he's bored out of his mind. But all that changes when he finds the Death Note, a notebook dropped by a rogue Shinigami death god.





Descending Stories: Showa Genroku Rakugo Shinju 1 / Haruko Kumota

Aware their grandmother is gravely ill, four siblings make a pact to keep death from taking her away. But Death does arrive all the same, and comes with enough time to share a story with the children that helps them to realise the value of loss to life and the importance of being able to say goodbye.

Ding Dong Circus / Sasaki Maki

Collects the best of Sasaki Maki's work from alt-manga super magazine Garo.





Dragonball 3-in-1 volumes 1 & 2 / Akira Toriyama

Legend has it that if all seven of the precious orbs called "Dragon Balls" are gathered together, an incredibly powerful dragon god will appear to grant one wish. For teen readers.

Dream Fossil / Satoshi Kon

15 stories from the film director and Mangaka.



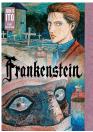


The Flowers of Evil Complete, 1 / Shuzo Oshimi

Following the adventures of a lonely bookish teen struggling to find his identity through Baudelaire's poetry, until two girls help him find true love and friendship.

Frankenstein / Junji Ito

The master of horror manga brings the world's greatest horror novel -Frankenstein - back to life.





Fruits Basket Collector's Edition, volume 1 / Natsuki Takaya

After a family tragedy turns her life upside down, plucky high schooler Tohru Honda takes matters into her own hands and moves out...into a tent!

Fukushima Devil Fish : Anti-Nuclear Manga / Katsumata Susumu

Nuclear energy-related work from the '80s and '90s, produced in the wake of investigative news reports about unreported accidents and dangerous working conditions at Japan's nuclear power plants.





The Girl From the Other Side: Siuil, a Run 1 / Nagabe

A magical and enchanting tale about a young girl and her demonic guardian.

A Girl on the Shore / Inio Asano

Koume Sato and Kosuke Isobe are two teenagers living in a sleepy Japanese seaside town. After getting used and dumped by her boyfriend, the emotionally damaged Koume decides to start a relationship with Kosuke, without any emotions involved.





Golden Kamuy 1 & 2 / Satoru Noda

In the early 20th century, Russo-Japanese War veteran Saichi Sugimoto searches the wilderness of the Japanese frontier of Hokkaido for a hoard of hidden gold.

Good-bye / Yoshihiro Tatsumi

Drawn in 1971 and 1972, with characters contextualised by themes of depravity and disorientation in twentieth century Japan.



After losing his first and last volleyball match against Tobio Kageyama, the King of the Court, Shoyo Hinata swears to become his rival after graduating middle school.

Hokusai Manga / Hokusai

In 1814, Hokusai's sketches were published in a handbook of over 4,000 images: Hokusai Manga.





ICHI-F volume 1 / Kazuto Tatsuta

Kazuto Tatsuta was an amateur artist who signed onto the dangerous task of cleaning up the Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Plant, which the workers came to call "Ichi-F." This is the story of that challenging work.

Inuyashiki 1 / Hiroya Oku

Ichiro Inuyashiki is a 58-year-old who's down on his luck but discovers he has strange superpowers.





JoJo's Bizarre Adventure Part 1, Phantom Blood / Hirohiko Araki Young Jonathan Joestar's life is forever changed when he meets his new adopted brother, Dio.

Kitaro Meets Nurahiyon / Shigeru Mizuki

The second volume in the adventures of bizarre yokai boy Kitaro and his gaggle of other-worldly friends.





Kuroko's Basketball 2-In-1, volume 1 / Tadatoshi Fujimaki

When incoming first-year Taiga Kagami joins the Seirin High basketball team, he meets Tetsuya Kuroko, a mysterious boy who's plain beyond words.

The Life-Changing Manga of Tidying Up: a Magical Story / Marie Kondo This graphic novelisation brings Kondo's life-changing tidying method to life.





Manga in Theory and Practice: The Craft of Creating Manga / Hirohiko Araki A how-to guide to manga penned by an industry legend.

Monster volume 1 / Naoki Urasawa

Dr. Tenma sets out on a journey to find a killer's twin sister, who may hold some clues to solving the enigma of the "Monster." For older teen audiences.



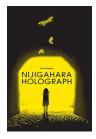


MW / Osamu Tezuka

Explores a dark modern reality where neither divine nor secular justice seems to prevail.

Nausicaä of the Valley of the Wind volume 1 / Hayao Miyazaki Nausicaä is a young princess who has an empathic bond with the giant Ohmu insects and animals of every creed.





Nijigahara Holograph / Inio Asano

Even as butterflies ominously proliferate in town, the rumor of a mysterious creature lurking in the tunnel behind the school spreads among the children.

Oishinbo Japanese Cuisine / Tetsu Kariya

Introduces us to the fundamental ingredients - rice, sashimi, green tea, and dashi (cooking stock) - that constitute the soul of the Japanese kitchen.





Oishinbo Sake / Tetsu Kariya

In this volume, the focus shifts from food to drink - specifically, to sake.

Oishinbo Ramen & Gyoza / Tetsu Kariya

Few foods inspire as much passion and partisanship as the dish of noodles in broth known as "ramen."





Oishinbo Fish, Sushi & Sashimi / Tetsu Kariya

Things come to a head during the "Salmon Battle," which pits father against son in an epic contest to develop the best dish before a panel of judges.

Oishinbo Vegetables / Tetsu Kariya

A series of culinary battles between Yamaoka and Kaibara Yuzan features the ingredient of vegetables, specifically cabbages and turnips.





Oishinbo The Joy of Rice/ Tetsu Kariya

Yamaoka and company look into the single most essential food in Japanese cuisine: rice.

Oishinbo Izakaya: Pub Food/ Tetsu Kariya

Yamaoka and Kurita investigate classic izakaya foods such as edamame and yakitori, devise new dishes to add to the menu of an old shop, and discover how the concept of "play" is essential to the enjoyment of food.





One Piece (3-in-1 Edition) volumes 1 & 2 / Eiichiro Oda

Monkey D. Luffy's life changed when he accidentally ate an enchanted Devil Fruit that gave him the ability to stretch like rubber.

One-Punch Man volume 1 / ONE

This average-looking guy has a not-so-average problem - he just can't seem to find an opponent strong enough to take on!





Onward Towards Our Noble Deaths / Shigeru Mizuki

A semi-autobiographical account of the desperate final weeks of a Japanese infantry unit at the end of World War II.

Otherworld Barbara volume 1 / Moto Hagio

Tokio discovers a phantom island named Barbara.





Pluto: Ursawa x Tezuka volume 1 / Naoki Urasawa

In a distant future where sentient humanoid robots pass for human, someone or some thing is out to destroy the seven great robots of the world.

Princess Jellyfish 1 / Akiko Higashimura

Tsukimi Kurashita has a strange fascination with jellyfish. She's loved them from a young age and has carried that love with her to her new life in the big city of Tokyo.



Professor Munakata's British Museum Adventure / Hoshino Yukinobu Professor Munakata embarks on a series of exciting adventures at the British Museum.

The Push Man and Other Stories / Yoshihiro Tatsumi

This collection of stories is simultaneously haunting, disturbing, and darkly humorous.





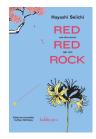
Real volume 1 / Takehiko Inoue A tale of triumph over adversity.

Red Colored Elegy / Hayashi Seiichi

Ichiro and Sachiko are young artists, temperamental and discouraged about what life has to offer them. They fall in and out of love, jealous of each other's interests and unchallenged by their careers.







Red Red Rock and Other Stories / Hayashi Seiichi

A definitive, career-spanning collection of stories from one of Japan's most famous alternative cartoonists.

RG Veda Omnibus volume 1 / Clamp

RG Veda (pronounced Rig Veda) is based on the classic Indian saga of the same name.



Sailor Moon volume 1 / Naoko Takeuchi

The first installment of a magical adventure series that sees girls fighting evil!

Opus / Satoshi Kon

A manga artist becomes drawn into his own work and realises the deadline he's up against is to stop a vicious serial killer before he can spill more innocent blood.





Hitler / Shigeru Mizuki

An absorbing and eloquent portrait of Hitler's life.

Showa: a History of Japan, 1926-1939 / Shigeru Mizuki

With his trusty narrator Rat Man, Mizuki brings history into the realm of the personal, making it palatable, and indeed compelling, for young audiences as well as more mature readers.



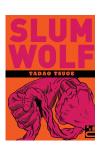


Slam Dunk volume 1 / Takehiko Inoue

A hopeless bruiser, Sakuragi Hanamichi's been rejected by 50 girls in a row!

Slum Wolf / Tadao Tsuge

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Summit of the Gods volume 1 / Jiro Taniguchi

Did the truth about Mallory's ascent of Mt Everest in 1924 - almost three decades before Hillary - die with him on those unforgiving slopes? Or was the secret buried deep within a simple camera?

Sunny volume 1 / Taiyo Matsumoto

What is Sunny? Sunny is a car. Sunny is a car you take on a drive with your mind.





Tekkon Kinkreet: Black & White / Taiyo Matsumoto

Orphaned on the mean streets of Treasure Town, lost boys Black and White must mug, steal and fight to survive.

Dororo / Osamu Tezuka

Set in Japan's warring states era, this classic manga tale follows the tragic fortunes of a disabled and disfigured youth named Hyakkimaru.





The Times of Botchan volume 1 /Jiro Taniguchi and Natsuo Sekikawa This is the fictionalized version of the life and times of Japanese author

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Tokyo Ghoul volume 1 / Sui Ishida

Shy Ken Kaneki is thrilled to go on a date with the beautiful Rize. But it turns out that she's only interested in his body - eating it, that is.





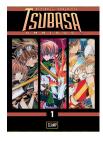
Tokyo Tarareba Girls 1 / Akiko Higashimura

Rinko has hustled her whole life, but one day she wakes up and finds herself a writer of a cheap online soap opera with only two friends.

Tomie / Junji Ito

Murdered again and again, one girl always comes back for more...





Tsubasa Omnibus 1 / Clamp

This edition collects the first three Tsubasa stories, and is a charming and action-stuffed adventure.

Uzumaki / Junji Ito

Kurôzu-cho, a small fogbound town on the coast of Japan, is cursed. According to Shuichi Saito, the withdrawn boyfriend of teenager Kirie Goshima, their town is haunted not by a person or being but by a pattern: uzumaki, the spiral, the hypnotic secret shape of the world.





Vagabond volume 1 / Takehiko Inoue

Real-life figure Miyamoto Musashi was the most celebrated samurai of all time.

Vinland Saga 1 / Makoto Yukimura

At the turn of the 11th century, the North Sea is in the grip of the Viking terror.





Wolf Children: Ame & Yuki / Mamoru Hosoda

When Hana falls in love with a young interloper she encounters in her college class, the last thing she expects to learn is that he is part wolf.

X (3-in-1 Edition) volume 1 / Clamp

Kamui Shiro is a young man followed by mystery.





xxxHolic Omnibus 1 / Clamp

When Kimihiro Watanuki is haunted by visions of ghosts and spirits he seeks help from a mysterious woman named Yuko, who claims she can help.



Your Name volume 1 / Makoto Shinkai & Ranmaru Kotone

This manga adaptation of the hit movie and light novel will enthrall both new and old readers!

Yowamushi Pedal volume 1 / Wataru Watanabe

Can a meek geek really out-pedal the future ace of the school road-racing team?!





A Zoo in Winter /Jiro Taniguchi

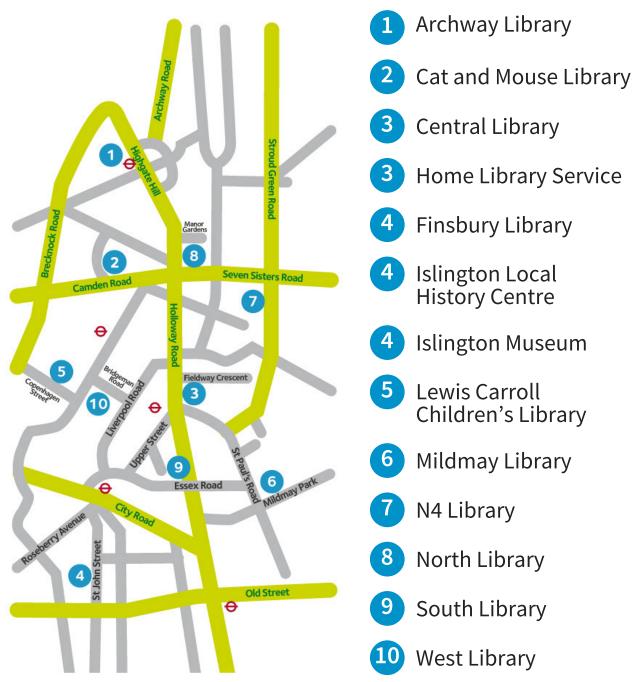
The young Hamaguchi is working for a textile manufacturer whilst dreaming of becoming an artist, when an incident at the zoo forces his hand.



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