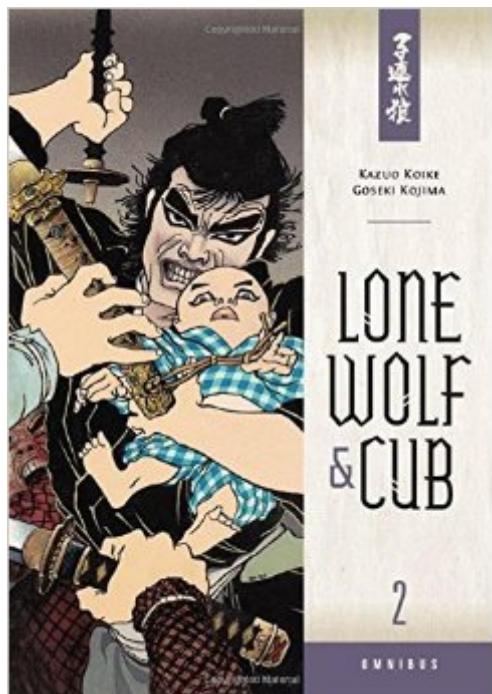


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Synopsis

Ronin samurai Ogami Itto and his young son Daigoro travel a dark road, beset by enemies sworn to destroy the Lone Wolf and his Cub. But how did Ogami, once the shogun's loyal retainer and trusted executioner, become a dishonored fugitive marked for death by the shogun himself? What hidden forces moved to destroy Ogami's family and fuel his relentless quest for retribution? Lone Wolf and Cub has sold over a million copies of its first Dark Horse English-language editions, and this acclaimed masterpiece of graphic fiction is now available in larger format, value-priced editions.

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Customer Reviews

The greatest samurai story ever created continues its epicness and awesomeness in this second volume of the omnibus editions. This volume includes the rest of vol. 3, all of vol. 4 and all but the last story of vol. 5 of the previous editions. The stories "The White Path between the Rivers" thru "Decapitator Asaemon". I love the bigger size and length of these new editions, but there are small things I miss about the old editions. In the old editions, there is a picture on the title page of every volume before the table of contents, and a picture on the title page of each individual story (giving a pretty good visual summary the story you are about to read.) And there is also a small picture on the bottom of the blank page after each story, usually Daigoro being cute. I also like how the old editions have "Lone Wolf and Cub Book (whatever): The End, To Be Continued" printed under the final panel at the end of every volume, and THE END printed much larger at the end of the final

story. Also it seems that these new editions will not be including the "Ronin Report" (very insightful segments about various themes in LW&C, descriptions and history of swords and other weapons, the LW&C movies and other things) or the picture galleries that appeared in the back of various volumes. Anyway those are all relatively small details that don't affect my enjoyment of these awesome new omnibus editions. It does however mean that I won't be selling off my collection of the old editions anytime soon. I will enjoy having the complete set of both editions in my collection, both having their advantages. The hard part is going to be waiting until 2015 to get the full set, at the rate they're being released.

The first Lone Wolf and Cub omnibus did a phenomenal job introducing the main characters and collecting enough stories to get anyone new to the saga interested enough to want to read more. The second volume has fewer stories, but most of them are much longer than those in the first volume. While I love this story and always enjoy reading any chapter, I have to say that I won't give in to my inner LW&C fanboy and give this volume 5 stars by default. It's still a lot better than many other Japanese comics that are getting published left and right these days, but in comparison to other volumes, this one doesn't have as much oomph. Even then, it's a great read and very much worth your time. If you're on this page, then I'm sure you've already read the first volume, or maybe you've already read the entire series and are wondering how the omnibus books hold up. These books are a bit bigger in size than the original volumes, but are still printed in left-to-right format, something that drives me crazy. The quality of the paper used for the cover leaves a lot to be desired, as the image chips away over time even with light use, and I really wish these would've been released in hardcover formats. You're getting a ton of material for an insanely low price here though. 11 chapters, over 700 pages! Just as I did in my review of the first omnibus, I'll give a brief summary of some of my favorite chapters here:-Chapter 1: The White Path Between the Rivers. The book starts off with a backstory, showing Ogami Itto doing his job as executioner. There's a pretty horrific decapitation at the beginning, as well as a child lord who is executed, despite many retainers crying for Itto to stop.

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