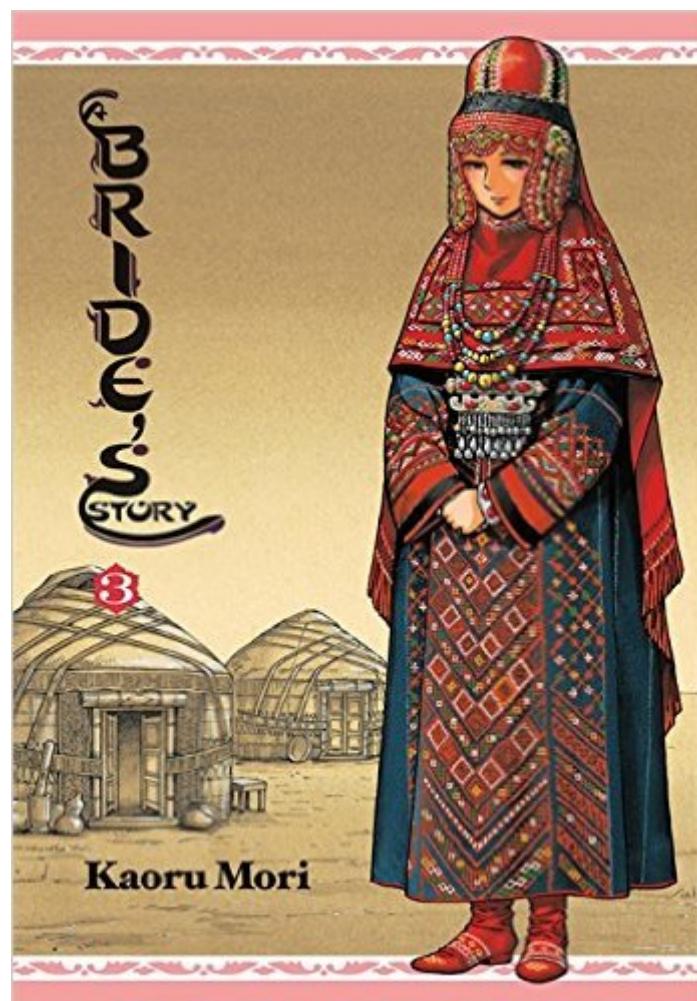


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Synopsis

(Volume 1) Acclaimed creator Kaoru Mori (Emma, Shirley) brings the nineteenth-century Silk Road to lavish life, chronicling the story of Amir Halgal, a young woman from a nomadic tribe betrothed to a twelve-year-old boy eight years her junior. Coping with cultural differences, blossoming feelings for her new husband, and expectations from both her adoptive and birth families, Amir strives to find her role as she settles into a new life and a new home in a society quick to define that role for her.

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Customer Reviews

A Bride's Story is a slice of life story and as the focus shifts a bit in this volume it's a fine starting point. That said it does build off elements and characters introduced in volumes 1 and 2 and I would recommend reading in order.** This review contains mild spoilers, solely regarding the series' change in focus. **After two amazing volumes about Amir and her marriage to Karluk it's somewhat surprising to see the series follow the foreign researcher Mr. Smith when he leaves the village. It seemed natural to assume that Mori's historical epic was Amir's story, but a different bride takes center stage when a chance encounter leads to stay with Tala and her mother-in-law. The good news is while the change is somewhat disappointing and I think Amir's tale is far from over should Mori choose to revisit it, volume 3 is every bit as good as the previous ones. Tala's difficulties come from a totally different direction than what we've seen before and while Amir was an outsider to her new town, Mr. Smith is an outsider to the entire culture. This allows for a unique, contrasting tale to be told without losing the atmosphere that's been slowly built up. The conflict and difficulties

presented to the characters are filled with emotion and feel natural despite surroundings and traditions unusual to the reader. As should be expected by this point the art is wonderful, and has the same incredible detail and quality as previous volumes. In general the art for this series is easily some of the best I've ever seen. So while volume 3 definitely signals some changes for Mori's stroll through history that will require some getting used to, A Bride's Story doesn't break it's stride here and remains a fantastic series. Highly recommended.

This volume starts to follow the English researcher and not solely the bride Amira. It was good. I just wish it would go back to Amira and her new family. There are brief flashes of their life but not as much. I still want to read the next volume to see where the story goes. I'm hoping the next in the series will bring the main story back to Amira.

my daughter totally loves this author and all her books, we have the complete set now, and have also enjoyed Emma the other series that she wrote. the item arrived on time

These books are a little simple/mellow, but well worth the read. I find the illustration to be great, and the story very endearing:)

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