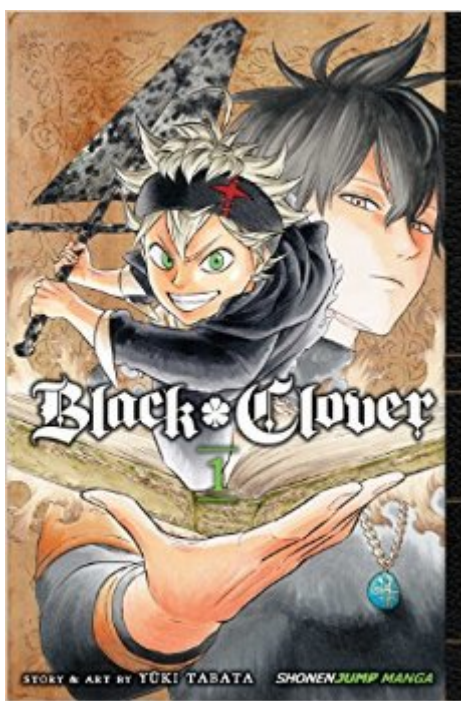


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# Black Clover, Vol. 1



## Synopsis

Asta is a young boy who dreams of becoming the greatest mage in the kingdom. Only one problem-he can't use any magic! Luckily for Asta, he receives the incredibly rare five-leaf clover grimoire that gives him the power of anti-magic. Can someone who can't use magic really become the Wizard King? One thing's for sure-Asta will never give up! Young Asta was born with no magic ability in a world where magic is everything. In order to prove his strength and keep a promise with his friend, Asta dreams of becoming the greatest mage in the land, the Wizard King! Â

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## Customer Reviews

One of the benefits of having a subscription to Viz's Shounen Jump is that I sometimes read chapters from the other series I don't necessarily follow (it's World Trigger and Bleach for me!). Black Clover has been one of them - never really hooking me since I pretty much picked it up fairly far along. Now, with this first volume, I have a chance to get to know the story from the beginning and I was surprised - it's actually decent. Yes, we have your typical shounen trope of boy with mystery (or in this case, 2 orphan boys with mystery) who will learn to use a special ability in order to power up. But like Bleach's Ichigo and his bankai, it somehow works here without the main character looking too stupid in his single minded ambition. Story: Asta and Yuno are orphans left at a hick backwater village. Both have ambition - to become the next Wizard King so they can make life better for the poor. Yuno is quiet, good looking, and very talented with wind magic. Asta is

impetuous, full of energy, yet is one of the rare people nearly devoid of magic. When the day comes to inherit their own grimoirs and build their magic, Yuno receives the very auspicious 4 leaf clover book - the same as the previous Wizard King. It looks as if Asta will receive nothing - until a mysterious grimoir finds him and gives him a sword that defeats or deflects magic. As both join the Magic Knights, their journey to becoming the Wizard King is about to begin. The story pretty much follows Asta's point of view though clearly we are building up a rivalry for the best friends. Asta ends up in the Knights Squad that are a bunch of 'losers' while Yuno ends up with the top squad. Yet clearly this will be about Asta's unique grimoir and sword and how he learns to use them most effectively. The series doesn't shy away from a huge list of characters. But each is drawn in a very unique style so it is very easy to tell them apart. If anything, the illustrations can often feel like they were done by many people instead of one since line widths and styles vary so greatly throughout. I didn't go into Black Clover thinking I would like it over much but it surprised me. I find I'm liking it in much the same way I did at the beginning of Bleach. As such, I am looking forward to continuing the story. Reviewed from an advance reader copy provided by the publisher.

I absolutely love this manga!!! The characters and the artwork are amazing!!! The fight scenes are the best!!! Just looking at everyone's magical abilities is just amazing!!! I already read this volume twice!! Thts how much I love this series and can't wait for volume 2!!!!

I have Shonen Jump on the Viz app so I saw this manga series before reading the beginning and got interested. I'm glad I decided to buy this manga! The main character Asta is a pretty cool guy. Plus any mage lover will be drawn in by this manga! There's plenty of humor and action in this book in the form of fighting scenes to get the reader excited. Definitely going to collect this series as it's released in the states!

[Spoiler alert]This series tells the story of Aster with his journey to becoming stronger, achieving his dreams while gaining experience and friends. Typical shounen manga but the main characters are so very unique. Aster, while seemed like a typical stupid MC, is actually not very stupid and is well-liked by everybody. Not only that the girls all seem to fall for him instead of typically fawning over the genius rival - Juno. And neither of them care about that! The story is fun and the characters are all very interesting, likable, and unique. What I like most about this story is that the rivalry between Aster and Juni doesn't stop them from being best friends and brothers. There's a clear understanding between them that one acknowledges and respects the other, there's no usual

misunderstanding or underestimating the MC. And I absolutely love that their friendship is so very pure and light-hearted. It's a must-read. The storyline is interesting and the art is beautiful. As someone who draws, I can tell that the mangaka really takes time to draw every single panel with passion.

This is packed with just about every element you can imagine from shounen: magic users, guilds, battle spells, spell books, weird odd characters, sexy puns and an immature self-confident main character. Asta wants to become the Wizard King but he has no magic so he's trained his body with physical strength. This first volume sees him join the lowest guild filled with misfits, receive the magic of "anti-magic" and go on his first mission. We can see a lot of influence from other manga, especially "Fairy Tail" and "Zatch Bell", so nothing unique about this first volume. It's a lot of fun, though, tons of battles and humour, and we get introduced to a bunch of characters.

This volume was highly anticipated by me for a long time. I have been reading Black Clover since the very first chapter and it has been an amazing thrill ride of action, adventure, comedy, and storytelling. It can come off as a bit cliché, but the charm, characters, setting, and artwork make it a must read for any shonen fan. The story is interesting and the powerups are cool. The fights are badass and the artwork is beautiful. All in all, I am very happy with the product, VIZ has done an awesome job with polishing the translation.

Really funny and interesting, I just had to get the next volume. The style and characters are pretty cool so far. The series is fairly new and if you wanna give this manga a try, go for it! It arrived a day early and in perfect condition.

Don't listen to those idiot/hipsters who say this series is generic and bad. Just because it has elements from other stories doesn't mean it's bad in the slightest. This is an amazing shonen that I recommend to anyone. Please check it out

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