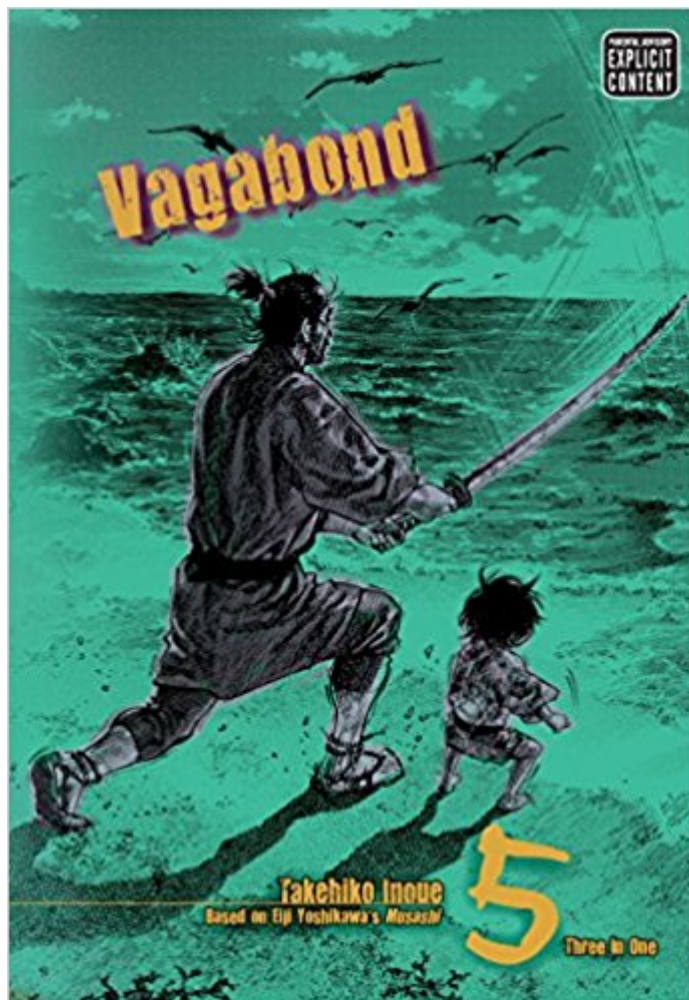


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Customer Reviews

Takehiko Inoue is the creator of one of the most popular manga of all time, Slam Dunk, which has sold over 100 million copies worldwide. He followed that series up with two titles lauded by critics and fans alike--Vagabond, a fictional account of the life of Miyamoto Musashi, and Real, a manga about wheelchair basketball. Inoue is the recipient of numerous awards, including the prestigious Tezuka Osamu Culture award and the Media Arts Festival Award. In addition to his work on manga, Inoue has worked on television commercials, character designs for video games, and is the founder of a scholarship to foster Japanese basketball talent.

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One of the greatest mangas ever written and illustrated. Read this series if you like excellent story telling and an art style that makes each page feel alive! Plus it's about Musashi Miyamoto who is the greatest swordsman that ever lived (even though this series is embellished). The story in this volume (5) is so touching, it's a must read hands down.....why are you reading this review when you could be reading Vagabond

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