

Saga Volume 2

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The small family in Saga Volume 1 slowly grows as the ship's invaders turn out to be Marko's parents. As loyal citizens of Wreath, they feel betrayed that their son has fallen in love with an enemy soldier, and Marko and his mother must leave the ship to resolve a misunderstanding. From there, Alana grows closer to Marko's father as he realizes the depth of their bond. Marko's ex-fiancé from Wreath ends up teaming up with a freelance assassin to find and confront the family. Together the two save an underage prostitute from captivity, who ends up being more helpful than she appears. While both parties get close to each other, they each must flee a very dangerous situation, and sacrifices must be made to survive.

This graphic novel is meant for a more mature audience, ideally teens who are eighteen or older. And would make a great present for fantasy or space aficionados. The plot focuses on war, love and breakups, and sacrifice. A continuation of the previous novel, new characters are added to the mix which builds upon both the plot and characters' backstories. The novel also raises philosophical questions about whether violence or conscientious objection is the answer in war but allows its reader to provide the answer. Additionally, the book also demonstrates the unintentional consequences that holding secrets can have on loved ones. Ultimately, this graphic novel is best for an older audience interested in fantasy, philosophy, and the consequences of war.

Recommended Titles:

Saga Volume 1 by Brian K. Vaughan

Saga Volume 3 by Brian K. Vaughan

Monstress series by Marjorie Liu

Sandman series by Neil Gaiman