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After failing his tutor, Eclipse, and sparing the life of an enemy life (very un-demonlike!), young Raenef decides to leave his homeland alone until he's become a Demon Lord. But life in the big world isn't easy for an unskilled demon. There are many who hate demons and would kill Raenef on sight. When Raenef stumbles into the temple of Rased, he meets someone who would love to do just that. Fortunately, Raenef isn't the only one who's still in training.

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Sarah-Jayne Briggs says

(This review may contain spoilers).

So another character joins the group, apparently to Eclipse's dismay. I like the hints of a more compassionate side from Eclipse, even if it's really only to Raenef. I also really like Raenef.

The humour in this one was just as good as the first book. I really liked this book as well. The characters are interesting and it's good to see more of Raenef's past as well.

I definitely intend to read the next book soon.

oxana says

Strong 3½ stars.

The humor is more on point this time. The story still doesn't take itself too seriously, but the expressions and comedy are better balanced here - and there is an actual serious note in there somewhere, too.

Looking forward to seeing where things progress.

My one complaint could be that telling male and female characters apart is near impossible by looks - or name (if name is even provided). One has to wait until 'he'/'she' is introduced in a sentence, which could be much further down the line.

Roni says

This one was much better than the first, it stabilized the plot by adding some backstory. The transitions can be a little confusing when the story jumps time, so read carefully, but overall a good story.

Ileepachia says

i think the book is very great to read and very fun

Lexie says

WELCOME as we embark upon volume 2 of this series. In this volume we meet Chris, the one day High Cleric of Rased who is one egomaniacal threat away from being the villain of the world.

We changed writers in this volume, though the tone stays pretty much the same. COMEDY, darkness, COMEDIC DEATH THREATS, horrifying realities of being a demon lord. So forth and so on.

Erutis takes something of a back seat here since we spend a good chunk of the book watching Raenef fumble around and not get treated like a serious Demon Lord.

He's such a PUPPY. So happy to meet people and have new playmates. Poor Eclipse has become a den mother...(Eclipse's and Chris's master/adoptive father Hajem, current Head Cleric, spend some amusing moments commiserating over the fact they both have such DUMB guys to watch over.)

By the end Eclipse is stuck with another mouth to feed.

Rain Misoa says

This book was amazing! I am so hooked to this series! I know this is my sixth time reading it but I remember when I first started collecting it back in 2003 that I was super excited to read through the entire series! The author may have been changed from the one who wrote the first volume but it still manages to continue where the first one left off. It was funny, entertaining, and very informative. I do so love this manga. It has everything I've ever loved a manga having!

As I said earlier, Lee Yun Hee isn't the original author. However, she did a wonderful job in picking up the story where it left off and expanding on it. The humor is much the same as are the characters so you don't really notice the difference in author change. She even went as far as to show more background information on Eclipse and Raenef which you didn't get in the first volume. You see how they met and how Raenef came about to being a demon lord. Just seeing their history was a joy! She even introduced more characters and, let me tell you, it is so worth seeing them come to life! They are so hilarious and loving but more on that later. Kara still has it down! Her art style is so beautiful! I can stay staring at her background images for a very long time. And her characters? They are one of the most gorgeous people to ever set themselves on the scene of manga. I want to marry Eclipse, that's how hot he is! (And because he reminds me of someone I care deeply for but... we won't get into that...)

Characters! I CANNOT GET ENOUGH OF THE SMEXY AWESOME PEOPLE!!! Raenef is just too adorable for words! In this volume you see him slowly grow from being a clutz... to wanting to become a much better demon lord to not disappoint Eclipse anymore. Though he doesn't really improve much, the sentiment of him wanting to take his role seriously is there and you just hope he is able to learn new abilities. You hope he is able to please Eclipse, who, has changed as well. He is much more animated and open with his feelings for Raenef. Once Raenef runs away (not spoiler, says it on the back), he goes crazy with looking for him. He even says something that proves he cares about the young demon lord. They are both teaching each other how to become better people. Rae is learning how to be more responsible and Eclipse is learning how to be more caring. It's really a beautiful relationship they have.

Three new characters are introduced in this volume! Well, two. We met Erutis in volume one but we didn't get to see much of her. In fact, in this one, we don't get to see much. However, it is more than the first. She's funny, a smart-ass, a bit of a chicken shit (but is's more on the side of, "Ack! Don't kill me! I give you cookies" than actually being a coward. It's hilarious!), and just all-around fun! I love her dialogue with Eclipse the most because he intimidates her and she tries to act all cool when she just fails. Chris, a Rased cleric heir, is probably more foolish than Raenef, in a good way! He's stupid but thinks he's a genius,

conceited, lively, and always gets his ass handed to him by his master. Now, I love his master. He's always beating down Chris and telling him to use his brain and calling him stupid... yeah, I love him. All of the characters in this manga! They are just so entertaining!

Really! I HIGHLY recommend you pick up this series. It's so much fun just to read through it. However, it's not just fun and games! There are serious things to the plot as well. Most of it being revealed later on but it is so interesting that you must must MUST keep reading until the very end. Right now it's all fun and games and a history lesson and even THAT makes the manga worth reading. If you like magic, comedy, with a tiny bit of romance (seriously, you have to squint in order to see it) then read this! It's one of the best series out there!

Miriam says

This was considerably less nonsensical than the first volume, and I actually found myself missing the wacky disregard for logic.

Also, in the first book it appears that the characters are meeting for the first time, but here we learn that Eclipse went out and found someone he considered suitable for the role of demon lord. And we get Raenef's background: he's a street kid running with a gang of thieves, which makes no sense with how naive and gentle he is.

Robert Beveridge says

Yun-hee Lee, Demon Diary vol. 2 (Tokyopop, 2000)

Raenef decides to leave the castle and not return until he's a good and proper demon lord, but his plans get sidetracked by Chris, supergenius and next in line to become the high cleric of a sect that is currently locked in an uneasy truce with the demons. We also get some backstory about Eclipse trying to find Raenef. Good stuff, as usual, despite Kara needing to find a new author after Chi-hyong Lee needed to drop out. (No word on whether the new author is related.) ***

L. says

Raenef a Eklips jsou prost? zlatí?ka. ♥

Starbubbles says

honestly, it's really cute. but the constant author interjections do take away from the story a bit. it makes it seem more, eh comical? honestly, i lack a better word. but i'm looking forward to book 3.

Jody Mena says

I love this! Demon Diary is lighthearted, very funny, often goofy and peppered with moments of intense drama and sweet fluffy moments. It's impossible to take it seriously, yet by the end of each volume, you've fallen for the characters all over again! Eclipse is my favorite, he's like a diabolical mother hen! Raenef is wonderful too, but he's a terrible demon lord ~ he's much too sweet and naive! I can't figure out what's going to happen to these two in the end, but they're such a great odd couple that I couldn't put the book down! Looking very forward to the next volume!

Leila Anani says

Raenef runs away to become a dread Demon Lord so as not to disappoint Eclipse. Eclipse blows off a meeting because he's worried about his charge and goes haring off to the West to find him.

Meanwhile in the East... Raenef falls for the demon summoning of gung-ho cleric apprentice Chris. There's a non aggression pact between clerics and demons which could start a war if Chris succeeds in defeating Raenef. Can Eclipse get to him in time to avert disaster.

Another sweet edition - lovely artwork and a fun story. We also get a little of how Eclipse first meets Raenef and determines that he's the Demon Lord he's been looking for.

Cember says

An amazing find. I've read all the this particular manga series at least a dozen times and still laugh out loud and cry each time. You can really get a feel of the characters and how important they are. There is plenty of comedy with this failed Demon King who in all honesty can barely handle things on his own. Thankfully Eclipse is right there to give him some serious guidance. Did I mention the art is phenomenal? I just can't get enough of it! For the out of the world readers or someone who's into a good comedy manga this is excellent to pick up and read over and over again.

Krys says

can't put it down

Devann says

Again this is just ...soooo early 2000s lol. This volume has a little bit more going on in the actual plot department as well as introducing a new character and a flashback telling us how Eclipse and Raenef first met. It's all absolutely ridiculous and over the top but like I said before, I'm rereading this as a nostalgia thing

so it's all okay.
