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1.2 Introduction

This is my attempt at crosslinking most of my disk-based anime information. Rather than having several disks full of files with redundant information, I hope to have one hypertext index linking relevant data together.

This file is comprised of information taken from the Anime Pocket Guide (see the Bibliography), plus some Usenet posts, linked together where possible. I expect to be adding more as time goes by.

I expect other people will find this Index useful even in its

incomplete form (will it ever be finished? I doubt it), so I'm making it available to anyone who wants it. Distribute away.

There will be a DOS or Windows version of this available whenever I find the time. Maybe a Mac one too, if possible.

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1.10 Bibliography

The information used in this edition of the Anime Index was gleaned from:

- Alan Takahashi's Pocket Guide to Anime, itself a compendium of assorted Usenet denizens' knowledge. I've preserved any attributions from the Guide here.
- Miscellaneous Fidonet and Usenet postings. Again, I've preserved whatever attributions possible.

1.11 Area 88

Area 88 (TV, FILM) Genre: Drama

Cast:

Shin Kazama	Kaneto Shiozawa
Ryoko	Sakiko Tamagawa
Satoru Kanzaki (young)	Mayumi Tanaka
Buxie	Toshio Furukawa
Escape Killer #1	Shigeru Chiba

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

Shin Kazama has a bright future. He is an up and coming pilot for Yamato Air Lines and has a relationship with the boss's daughter and, perhaps, is destined to head the airline someday. All this changes when his friend Kanzaki gets him drunk, and he signs a paper which enlists him in the Aslam Foreign Legion. There are 3 ways to get out: to get enough kills to buy your way out; to survive until your term is up; or escape. This is a gritty, action-oriented series with accurate depictions of

military aircraft and associated hardware. Note that the movies are edited compilations from the TV series.

US Release by: US Manga Corps (subtitled)

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: RECOMMENDED

1.12 Aura Battler Dunbine

Aura Battler Dunbine (TV, OAVs) Genre: Giant Robots

Cast:

Marvel Frozen Mika Doi
Barn Bonnings Shoo Hayami
Chum Huau Maria Kawamura
Silky Mau Keiko Yokozawa
<Unknown character> Michie Tomizawa

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

Byston Well is a world where people go when they die. It is normally unreachable from Earth for it exists between sea and land. Only those who can open the Aura Road can pass through. Dwellers of Sea called the A-Fellario are able to open the Aura Road, and one of them named Silky Mau is forced to do it to snatch a young motocross racer named Sho Zama. Sho finds himself in Byston Well and his role is to pilot an Aura Battler. The Aura Battler is a giant robot warrior of immense power that can only be piloted by one with a strong Aura. All people brought from Earth have that Aura, but Sho's is exceptionally strong. His new master is Drake Luft, but Sho soon finds that Drake's motives are more complex than he realizes...

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: RECOMMENDED

1.13 AD Police

AD Police (OAVs) Genre: Science Fiction

Anime Pocket Guide Description: (by Tom Jewell)

This is an OAV series concentrating on the AD Police first seen in "Bubble Gum Crisis", a few years before the first appearance of the Knight Sabers. The stories have the AD Police dealing with more mundane crimes and more thought provoking conflicts. A common character with "Bubble Gum Crisis" is a young Leon McNichol.

File 1: Leon is fighting against a prostitute Booma. Severely injured, he defeats it. The Booma returns to his life when its parts are reused and she (it?) begins killing her clients.

File 2: This is a "what makes us human" story when a series of "Jack the Ripper" style slayings take place.

File 3: A story dealing with our own humanity as a police

officer is turned into a 'Robocop' type of Booma...replacing everything except his brain and tongue.

NOTE: Anime Pocket Guide Rating is by Tom Jewell.

US Release by: AnimeEigo (subtitled)

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: HIGHLY RECOMMENDED

1.14 Genji Tsushin Agedama

Genji Tsushin Agedama (TV) Genre: Comedy

Cast:

Agedama Nozomu Sasaki
Ibuki Kotonno Mitsuishi

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

Agedama is a small boy going to elementary school and having the usual problems for a boy of his age. He is also secretly a superhero-in-training (called "Agedaman"). Along with Wapuro, his floating computer companion, he fights against a criminal organization who can turn humans into monsters of various types. This is *not* a series to be taken seriously...they extensively parody the superhero genre as well as other anime including "Lupin III: Cagliostro Castle" (many scenes from the movie were followed almost exactly!) and "Sailor Moon" (Ibuki-chan turned into a 'bishoujo senshi'). Besides, where else can you find adversaries like a word processor (Wapuro) vs. a PC (PC-ro)? :-)

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: RECOMMENDED

1.15 Akira

Akira (FILM) Genre: Science Fiction

Cast:

Tetsuo Nozomu Sasaki
Kai Takeshi Kusao

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

Neo-Tokyo is gearing up for the Olympics which will be held there. These events mean little to Kaneda and his motorcycle gang. Their goal in life is to have a good time, without getting into any *real* trouble. However, trouble finds them as one of the bikers, Tetsuo, 'runs into' a psychic kid and is taken away. Kaneda finds that this is all linked to a dark mysterious secret called 'Akira'. The plot is somewhat confusing, but this is one of the most technically impressive anime movies to date.

NOTE: The "Akira Production Report" is a 'Making of...' video that shows some behind-the-scenes stuff of the "Akira"

movie.

US Release by: Streamline Pictures (dubbed)

UK Release by: Island World Communications (dubbed & subtitled)

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: RECOMMENDED -- but not for weak stomachs :-)

1.16 Project A-Ko

Project A-ko (FILM, OAVs) Genre: Comedy

also: A-Ko the Versus (OAVs) Genre: Comedy

Cast:

A-Ko Magami Miki Itoh
B-Ko Daitokuji Emi Shinohara
C-Ko Kotobuki Michie Tomizawa
Ume Megumi Hayashibara
Ine Yoshino Takamori
Captain Napolipolita Shuichi Ikeda
Spy-D Tessho Genda
Raiza Chichi (A-Ko the Vs: Blue Side) Saeko Shimazu

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

Take a school classroom. Add one poetry spouting teacher. Add a brilliant student (B-Ko). Add two new students, one who can destroy whole armies with her strength and another who can destroy whole armies with her crying and cooking. Now, create a rivalry between A-Ko and B-ko over getting to be C-Ko's friend. Add an invading alien force and you've got a parody taking aim at many anime cliches. Overall, it was very funny, though some parts were better than others. "A-Ko the Versus" placed A-Ko and B-Ko as bounty hunters trying to rescue C-Ko.

US Release by: US Manga Corps (subtitled)

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: RECOMMENDED

1.17 Oh! My Goddess

Oh! My Goddess (OAV) Genre: Comedy

alternate title: Aa! Megami-sama

Cast:

Keiichi Masami Kikuchi
Belldandy (a goddess) Kikuko Inouye
Skuld (a goddess) Aya Hisakawa
Urd (a goddess) Yumi Tohma

Anime Pocket Guide Description: (by Hitoshi Doi)

One day, Keiichi, a student at Nekomi Institute of Technology

(or NIT) was in his dorm because his sempai told him to wait for a phone call. While waiting, he got hungry, so Keiichi called out for some food. He dialed the wrong number and got the "Goddess Helpers" office instead. A young cute goddess named Belldandy appear out of the mirror and said "Our job is to help people who are in trouble, like you. I can grant you one wish, no matter what it is...". Keiichi said "I want you to stay forever". The wish was approved. Unfortunately, Keiichi lives in a men-only dorm, so he got thrown out when his sempai returned. Keiichi's friends didn't let him in either, so he and Belldandy finally settled in an old temple...

NOTE: This series is commonly known as "Ah! My Goddess", but the English title is as shown above. Confirmed with the manga's author by Robert Woodhead of AnimEigo.

US Release by: AnimEigo (subtitled)

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: RECOMMENDED

1.18 We Love Animation!

We Love Animation! (TV) Genre: Miscellaneous

alternate title: Anime Daisuki!

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

This is a TV special which comes on twice a year. For one week, various OAVs and movies are shown on TV via this program. Among the features that have been shown are well-known ones such as "Patlabor OAV #7", "Orange Road: White Lovers", "Lupin III: The Legendary Gold of Babylon", "3x3 Eyes", "Dominion" and all of "Project A-Ko". Less well known features include "Anpan-Man", "Fuma no Kojiro", "Cleopatra DC", "Kenya" and "Midoriyama High School". This is a great way to sample different anime that you have never seen before. Also, the "We Love Animation" credits are not to be missed...a different one for each series. This was the first place that I ever saw an "Animate" gift card... :-)

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: RECOMMENDED

1.19 Appleseed

Appleseed (OAV) Genre: Science Fiction

Cast:

Hitomi Mayumi Shoo

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

In the futuristic metropolis of Olympus, a terrorist action is taking place. Handling the situation is ESWAT, a special branch of the Olympus Police Dept. Through the tense situation, ESWAT

prepares to neutralize the terrorists. Finally, ESWAT strikes and kill or capture all but one of the terrorists. Along the way, we're introduced to two ESWAT members: Deunan Nut and Briareos Hecatonchires. They are 2 outsiders who joined ESWAT for lack of anywhere else to go. The OAV tells a story of a terrorist plot to take over Gaia...the central computer running Olympus. The plot involves a disillusioned ESWAT officer and the terrorist who got away and Hitomi, Deunan's bioroid friend who is used as a pawn to gain access to Gaia.

NOTE: The OAV is based on the manga "Appleseed" by Masamune Shirow. The manga is full of rich character development and background. Unfortunately, none of this was shown in the OAV. We got a simple police vs. terrorist story filled with lots of action, but was pretty pointless. It was interesting to see how many English words were misspelled, though... :-)

US Release by: US Renditions (subtitled)

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: NOT RECOMMENDED

1.20 Arion

Arion (FILM) Genre: Fantasy

Cast:

Seneca Mayumi Tanaka

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

In Thrace, Arion is taken from his mother Demeter by the god Hades. In the Underworld, Arion is trained to be a warrior. His training is driven by revenge: Arion was told that his mother's blindness was caused by Zeus and Zeus' death will remove the curse. Finally, Arion and Geedo (a huge ape-like creature who had become Arion's friend and companion) left the Underworld to find Zeus. Seneca, a small thief, makes off with Arion's sword and this leads Arion to his first encounter with the forces of Zeus, commanded by his daughter Athena. Arion is captured but is later set free by Lesfeena, Athena's mute serving girl. As Arion rejoins Geedo and Seneca (and worries about Lesfeena), the forces of Zeus and Poseidon face each other in battle. In the background sits the scheming Hades, and the calm Apollon who seems to have plans of his own. The setting of this movie was based on Greek Mythology and the story is of epic stature. The complex plot takes a while to unravel, but the storytelling is excellent.

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: HIGHLY RECOMMENDED

1.21 Assemble Insert

Assemble Insert (OAVs) Genre: Comedy

Cast:

Maron Namikaze Hiroko Kasahara
Kagairi Sonoba Maria Kawamura

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

The "Demon Seed" organization is robbing lots of banks and jewelry stores. The police can't catch them and worse, they cause a lot of civilian damage while trying. The solution? Hold an audition for the new "Anti-Demon Seed" heroine who can also become a music idol. This way, the public won't become so upset at the civilian damage that's going to happen anyway. Cute, sweet 8th grader Maron Namikaze wins this slot due to her enormous strength. This OAV series parodies both the superhero genre and idol girls. Pretty funny.

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: RECOMMENDED

1.22 Baoh the Visitor

Baoh the Visitor (FILM) Genre: Adventure

Cast:

Sumire Noriko Hidaka
Commander Dold Shuichi Ikeda

Anime Pocket Guide Description: (by Tom Jewell)

Ikuro is a 17 year old boy who has been implanted with an organism which will defend itself against any threat to its host. Ikuro escapes from the captivity of the corporation responsible for implanting the organism (called BAOH) in him. Joining him in his escape is a young ESPer named Sumire. The ensuing chase by the corporation, kidnapping of Sumire, and final showdown in the secret corporate laboratory make for a fast paced movie. Contains a fair amount of graphic violence, though not as bad as some.

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: RECOMMENDED

1.23 Blue Blink

Blue Blink (TV)

From: Timothy Fay (avatar@pnet51.orb.mn.org)

Blue Blink was the last animated TV series produced by Osamu Tezuka. It's about a boy, Kakeru, and a magical, pony-like creature, Blue Blink, and their adventures through a Wonderland-like dimension in pursuit of Kakeru's kidnapped father (39 episodes, NHK).

It is a marvelous fantasy-adventure, and a fitting tribute to Dr. Tezuka, the "Godfather" of Japanese animation.

1.24 Bubblegum Crisis

Bubblegum Crisis (OAVs) Genre: Science Fiction

Cast:

Silia Stingray	Yoshiko Sakakibara
Prisilla Asagiri (Priss)	Kinuko Ohmori
Linna Yamazaki	Michie Tomizawa
Nene Romanova	Akiko Hiramatsu
Mackie Stingray	Nozomu Sasaki
Leon McNichol	Toshio Furukawa
Daley	Kenyuu Horiuchi
Brian Mason	Shuichi Ikeda
Gibson (BGC4: Revenge Road)	Kaneto Shiozawa
Nam (BGC5: Midnight Rambler)	Megumi Hayashibara
Anri (BGC6: Red Eyes)	Yuko Mizutani
Largo (BGC6: Red Eyes)	Kazuyoshi Sogabe
Vision (BGC7: Double Vision)	Maiko Hashimoto
Lisa (BGC8: Scoop Chase)	Aya Hisakawa
Miriam (BGC8: Scoop Chase)	Issei Futamata
Receptionist (BGC8: Scoop Chase)	Chisa Yokoyama

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

After a great earthquake, Tokyo was flattened. A new city called MegaTokyo rose from its ashes. The company responsible for much of the rebuilding was Genom Corp. Genom also produced a biomechanical creature called a Booma. When Boomas ran out of control, the ADPolice try to stop them. Also on the scene was a shadowy mercenary group called the Knight Sabers.

US Release by: AnimEigo (subtitled)

UK Release by: Anime Projects Limited (subtitled)

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: RECOMMENDED

See also: Bubblegum Crash!

1.25 Bubblegum Crash!

Bubblegum Crash! (OAVs) Genre: Science Fiction

Cast:

Silia Stingray	Yoshiko Sakakibara
Priss	Ryoko Tachikawa
Linna Yamazaki	Michie Tomizawa
Nene Romanova	Akiko Hiramatsu

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

After the 8-part BGC OAV series, the story continues in this

new series. 2 years have passed, and the Knight Sabers have all but disbanded. Then Silia reappears with a new hardsuit design. Note that characters, plot and the general setting have all changed from their appearance in BGC.

Note: After "Bubblegum Crisis", this series completely changed the characters, making them stereotypes instead of individuals. Add a formula plot (with at least 1 fight scene complete with reused animation!) and the result is something to be avoided. The opening credits were impressive, however.

US Release by: AnimEigo (subtitled)

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: NOT RECOMMENDED

1.26 Burn Up!

Burn Up! (OAV) Genre: Adventure

Cast:

MakiYumiko Shibata
Reimi Miki Itoh
Yuka Kumiko Nishihara

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

This is the story of police officers in the near future. We concentrate on 3 female officers: the overly cute Yuka, the prim and proper Reimi, and the aggressive Maki. At the start, there is a kidnapping attempt, and the criminals have high-powered weapons. They hold off the pursuing police, but that's before Maki (finally!) shows up on her motorcycle and messily catches the kidnappers. This is, of course, tied to a larger slavery operation run by Samuel McCoy. The 3 police officers decide to go undercover...without authorization. This only results in Yuka getting captured so Maki and Reimi mount a rescue operation. This is a one shot OAV which is largely a light hearted action flick. Characters designed by Keniichi Sonoda.

US Release by: AD Vision (subtitled)

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: RECOMMENDED

1.27 Bush Baby

Bush Baby (TV) Genre: Drama

Anime Pocket Guide Description: (by Curtis Hoffmann)

Bush Baby seems to be the name of a kind of over-grown kangaroo rat that is the pet of the heroine. This is a girl's show, with similarities to Tintin (ie. a young girl travelling to exotic lands and having wondrous adventures. However, unlike Tintin, the heroine here does not do any fighting -- she's too kind and

gentle for that, so the fighting is left up to her adult male friends.) So far, the action has taken place only in Africa and India. Has good character designs and interesting stories.

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: RECOMMENDED

1.28 City Hunter

City Hunter (TV, FILM) Genre: Adventure

Cast:

Ryo Saeba Akira Kamiya
Kaori Makumura Kazu Ikura
Kaoru Saejima Chika Sakamoto
Umibozu Tessho Genda
Catherine Hayward (ep #66-67) Hiromi Tsuru
Misuzu Moriwaki (City Hunter 3) Megumi Hayashibara
<Unknown character> Mami Koyama
<Unknown character> (CH '91) Youko Asagami

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

If you're desperate and need a job done, write "XYZ" on the bulletin board at Shinjuku Station. That is a signal that you want to hire City Hunter. Ryo Saeba and Kaori Makumura make up City Hunter. Ryo is calm, cool, and an amazingly accurate shot. He is also the biggest lech since Ataru Moroboshi. Kaori is the daughter of Ryo's deceased partner and runs the business side of City Hunter. She is also the only woman who Ryo *hasn't* made a pass at. The jobs have ranged from being a bodyguard (usually a pretty girl :-)) to virtual espionage. Kaori has kept Ryo's frequent sukebe tendencies in check with an 50,000 kg mallet. :-)
This is an action-adventure with some comedy elements.

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: RECOMMENDED

1.29 Cream Lemon

Cream Lemon (OAVs) Genre: Miscellaneous

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

This is an anthology series where the overriding common theme is SEX! The series has ranged from soap opera (the Ami series) to fantasy (Rall series) to horror (Cream Lemon Dark) to outright parody (Pop Chaser). The various episodes have nothing in common with each other (aside from episodes in a mini-series) except the requirement to have at least one sex act. In terms of plot, that ranges from the very bad to mediocre. In most cases, the sex is totally unnecessary to the plot (such as it is) but you couldn't call it a "Cream Lemon" if you took it out...

NOTE: "Project A-ko" started as a "Cream Lemon", but the comedy overwhelmed the sex. The only artifact of "A-ko"'s origins is the B-ko pool scene...

NOTE: Since this is such an inconsistent series plotwise, any particular episode will depend heavily on personal taste. With that in mind, I'll omit the usual rating with the caveat that sex is *guaranteed* to be a part of any "Cream Lemon" OAV...

NOTE: "Cream Lemon" is also distributed under the "Fairy Dust" label.

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: <Rating omitted>

1.30 Dancougar

Dancougar (TV)

Dan Cougar Information Sheet

Revision 1 by William Chow

First of all you may be asking what or who is Dan Cougar. Well Dancougar or Dancouga is the name of a special defense network for the Earth. After the aliens attacked, this organization developed machines to fight the invaders. They had to enlist certain personal to work their machines. Thus we have the character's story in this war for the Earth.

According to the Best Hit Series book on this series, the full title is "Deified Beast: Dancougar"

CHARACTERS

Good Guys

Shinobu Fujiwara - He is the first member of the Jyusenki-team and pilots the Eagle fighter. He has short black hair and dark brown eyes. He is unmarried and Japanese in nationality. He was born June 8th, 1967. Shinobu is the first son to Shinzi. He has been vaccinated and is blood type A. He has been imprisoned once for thirty days. He is six feet tall and hang glides as a hobby. He has an explosive temper which causes him to get into many scuffles.

Sara Yuuki - She was the second member to enter the Jyusenki-team. She uses the black Land Cougar. She is unmarried and Japanese. Sara was born July 7th, 1967 as the first daughter to Kokzok. She has blue eyes and inherent black hair but in the series you will see her with long dyed red hair. She has served time in a penitentiary for 38 days. She stands five foot eight and enjoys music and swimming. Sara has been vaccinated and is blood type AB. She has emotional ties to Shapirou Keats which weaken as the series progresses. Although she can have a temper, she is one of the most sensitive characters of the team.

Masato Shikibu - He is the third member of the Jyusenki team as the

pilot of the yellow Land Tiger. This unmarried Japanese man was born December 31, 1968 as the first son to Seizi. He has green eyes and light brown hair. He stands five feet nine. He has been vaccinated and has blood type B. His specialty is in the art of taming animals. He has had to serve hard labour for 55 days. He is prying for the emotions of Laura Sullivan. He is also the youngest in the group thus giving the team a playful side.

Ryo Shiba - He is the last of the main characters for the Jyusenki team. He ends up piloting the huge "Big Moth". He is unmarried and Japanese. He was born November 2, 1966 but has been orphaned by his family. He has blue eyes and long brown hair. He stands a tall six foot two and specializes in Kung-fu. He has served 36 days in a penitentiary in the past. He has been vaccinated and is blood type O. This character seems very passive and quiet. However, he is fast, unpredictable and dedicated to his disciplines. He is first seen carrying a white rose in his mouth.

Shapirou Keats - He is the American who joined the aliens. He was born May 15, 1965 as the first son to Pete. He has spiked brown hair and grey brown eyes. He is unmarried but had proposed to Sara before he defected. He stands six foot one and has music as one of his hobbies. He has won the instructor's prize five times. He was initially in love with Sara but with his traitor act, the two fell apart.

Laura Sullivan - She is the small little girl Shinobu found at the ruins of Sacramento. She is blonde and has a very nice singing voice done by Rie Fujiwara. Shinobu found her mourning to her dead mother. She later becomes attracted to Masato.

Ross Igor - He is the leader of Dancougar. He is grey haired with a beard.

Dr. Kotaro Hazuki - He is the guy with glasses working for Dancougar doing all the technical work on the machines. He has light brown hair.

Geral and Chris - These two guys are the pilots of the green transport craft for the land machines.

Miscellaneous

Bianca - The tanned blonde woman who drops Masato off at the dam base. (#4)

Mory - The nurse who gets her ass pinched by Masato. (#4)

Sister Julia - The nun who pulls Laura from her mother's side when the church is collapsing. (#6)

Dan - The little kid who leads the band of kids at the base. (#7)

Don - The teacher who blows the base to help the team. (#8)

Poori - The black little girl who Ryo rescued from the Amazon city. (#9)

Alan - The big hulk that falls in love with Sara who dies due to poisonous gas. (#10)

Retsuta - The little smart kid with glasses. (#12)

Tom - The shortest kid with the curly hair. (#12)
John - The kid who was willing to drive a missile into Desguea. (#12)
Sherry - The blonde little girl in the blue dress who fired the shot gun at Masato. (#12)
Danielle - The woman who helps Ryo out when he was shot in the shoulder. She was used as a hostage for the aliens. (#13)
Cassa - Danielle's mother. (#13)
Brian - Soldier who shot his girl, Sharato. He sacrifices himself for Dancouga. (#19)
Sharato - Woman shot by Brian when he thought she was a monster. We see her in a picture on the table. (#19)
Lune - Little boy who gets the food for an injured alien. He is seven years old. (#21)
Tarara - A blonde little girl who was being bothered by Lune. The two of them find the injured alien. She is six years old. (#21)
Baret - The older sister to Lune. She goes with Sara to find Lune. She is fifteen years old. (#21)
Annetto - Woman who runs the town of people in a suspended time period. She gets vapourized by a tank gun. (#22)

Bad Guys

Mugue Zolbado - The big head leader. He is usually seen through a globe viewer by the combat generals. He is the master of the Empire invading Earth.

Desguea - He is the general with a punk orange mohawk hair cut with a white mask over his face. He is in charge of the military maneuvers for the Empire. He is the scapegoat for failures. He pilots various huge droids like the Zefas but they get themselves wasted by the Dancougar team. In many occasions, he miraculously escapes.

Gildorome - He is a general with the grey mind flayer shaped head. He has a mark on his forehead. He is one of the generals opposed to Shapirou's induction as a general.

Heromato - He is the third general of the Empire. He has wings and looks like a demon.

Degura - The commander of a war machine used in episode #11: "Cover Fire of the Enemy".

Luna Rossa - The green haired female aide to Mugue. Shapirou begins to develop an attraction to her. She is the type to watch; faithful but always scheming.

Beastoru - The blonde subordinate to Desguea. He wears a uniform that has a red band over his head. He will pilot the red Zefa.

Kancotsu - The other blonde subordinate to Desguea.

MECHA

Eagle Fighter - This is the first product of the Super Technology. It is Shinobu's assignment as the pilot for the new mecha. It is modified jet fighter plane with an eagle-like beak at the nose. It can go into "Blue Tracer" mode, just like SPT Layzner, where the plane can fly through objects and slice them. This plane only transforms from plane to humanoid. It is black, white and red in colour. He has a standard high-caliber projectile weapon and missiles.

Land Cougar - This is the second product from the Dancougar network assigned to Sara. It looks like a huge black tank with one large white cannon on the top. It carries several volleys of missiles and has many smaller guns in various places. It can transform from tank to cougar to humanoid. In cougar mode, it is very agile.

Land Tiger - This is the third product assigned Masato. It looks very similar to the Land Cougar but it is mainly yellow. The two machines are similarly built and armed about the same. He transforms from tank to tiger to humanoid.

Big Moth - This the the last of the early machines piloted by Ryo. It is the largest of the all the land mecha. It transforms from tank to elephant (mammoth) to humanoid. It is the most heavily armed and shielded. In carries two missile bays carrying 30+ missiles per volley. It also has a cluster of high powered energy cannons on the top of the tank. In humanoid mode it is a deadly enemy since Ryo can augment his martial arts abilities through it. The tank is very heavily plated to withstand many missile hits.

Zefa - The standard issue green humanoid mecha used by the aliens. Has hard and dangerous hand claws. It also has two shoulder lasers which does a lot of damage. This droid can lay waste to any Earth mecha is very hard to kill.

: Makishimamu - This version has larger claws and out stretched shoulder claws. It is much more armoured and is orange in colour. The head horns are pointing downward and their is more plating in the crotch area. One was blown up in episode seven.

: Makishimamu Beta - This one is a dark blue and has head horns going up. It has predominately large arms an claws. It has two shoulder cannons on each shoulder There is an example in episode eight.

: Makishimamu Alpha - The one looks like the standard Zefa but it has two shoulder cannons, two spikes on the arm for punch and stab, and wing like projections from his back. It is an aqua green colour. There is an example in episode eight.

: Makishimamu Gamma - This one looks like a standard one but it is red.

Meka - The standard flying aerial weapon. Although Meka isn't the proper name, it is recognized that this is your normal issue mini fighter. It has one main scanner window and a front laser turret. This craft is much easier to hit and destroy.

Desdalum I - Big purple thing that Desguea uses. This version has only four tentacles. It isn't all that hard to beat. It does have an ejection module that Desguea uses all the time.

Desdalum II - The main body is shaped more like a clam shell. It now has six spikes and it still is purple.

Desalum Z - This version is back to humanoid shape. It has a huge mouth with big teeth. Inside its chests it has volleys upon volley of missiles.

Shiasodaru - The huge "hell beast" that attacked the Amazons. It is huge black and red bell shaped tank. It has four orange tentacles, an energy gun and a flame thrower. It gets wasted by Ryo's Big Moth.

Daranbeater - The huge monster with humanoid shape with big mouth and teeth. It was shown in episode number twelve.

1.31 GS Mikami

GS Mikami (TV) Genre: Comedy

Cast:

Reiko Mikami	Hiromi Tsuru
Tadao Yokoshima	Ryo Horikawa
Okinu-chan	Mariko Kouda
Doctor Chaos	Shigeru Chiba
Emi Ogasawara	Michie Tomizawa

Anime Pocket Guide Description: (by Hitoshi Doi)

With all of the new buildings being put up in the city, there was no place for the ghosts to go. Naturally, the ghosts cause havoc, so a new job called GS (or Ghost Sweeper) was created. The body-conscious girl Reiko Mikami was the head of the GS office with Tadao Yokoshima as her assistant. Yokoshima worked at the GS office for only Y250/hour (about 2 dollars!). The reason he worked so cheaply was because he wanted to work with Reiko. His dream was to see Reiko naked. Also on the team was Okinu-chan who worked for only Y30/day (yes, that's 22 cents a day!). Of course, Okinu-chan had few needs since she was a 300 year old ghost.

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: RECOMMENDED

1.32 Goshu the Cellist

Goshu the Cellist (FILM)

From Walter M. Amos (amos@CCWF.CC.UTEXAS.EDU)

The art style looks very similar to that in Omoide Poroporo, so I think Miyazaki et al. have something to do with it.

Briefly it is about a cellist (Goshu) in the local orchestra and he is trying to learn to properly play their Beethoven repertoire. At night when he practices at home a menagerie of various animals pop in

and try to give him various advice on how the music should sound.
(The cat which first appears had me rolling on the floor with his
Japanese-interpreted-through-cat
vocal-chords-trying-to-pronounce-Beethoven...he looks at a picture of
Ludwig and says (in my best phoenetic type interpretation) "ahhh!
Loo-hu-week fan Bay-hay toe-fehhnn!")

I found it to be a lovely and lyrical little piece. And of course
the background music, all lovely-lovely-Ludwig-van helped a lot.

1.33 Gunbuster: Aim for the Top!

Gunbuster: Aim for the Top! (OAVs) Genre: Giant Robots

alternate title: Top o Nerae! Gunbuster!

Cast:

Noriko Takaya Noriko Hidaka
Kazumi Amano Rei Sakuma
Jung Freud Maria Kawamura

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

Yes, it's time for Yet-Another-Alien-Invasion! The Earth is
preparing to defend itself. Oblivious to this, Noriko Takaya,
daughter of an admiral lost in space, tries to succeed in her
dream: to become a Gunbuster robot pilot and go off into space
like her father. This OAV series fluctuated between parody and
drama and was notable for paying attention to Einstein and his
Theory of Relativity as it pertains to near-lightspeed travel.

US Release by: US Renditions (subtitled)

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: RECOMMENDED

1.34 Hello Kitty

Hello Kitty (TV) Genre: Kids

Cast:

Kitty Megumi Hayashibara

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

A series for little kids. This follows the adventures of two
kitty kids named "Kitty" and "Mimi". The series tends to be
very straightforward and innocent. As an example: two jewel
thieves get away with their loot and crashland near where the
kids live. They meet the kitty kids (who think that the robbers
are aliens from a UFO) and entertain the kids with stories while
the kids tend to their injuries. In the morning, the thieves
decide that it wasn't worth it, and turn themselves in...only
after making sure that the kitty kids see their thanks and know
that the 'aliens' went back to space. The series is very

charming and almost fairy tale like...

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: RECOMMENDED - Kids would love it...

1.35 Hime-chan no Ribbon

Hime-chan no Ribbon (TV) Genre: Magical Girls

Cast:

Himeko Nonohara	Ikue Ootani
Erika	Ikue Ootani
Pokota	Kazu Ikura
Chappi	Kasuga Satou
Daichi Kobayashi	Daiki Yuu
Aiko Nonohara	Yuri Shiratori
Yumeko Nonohara	Chisa Yokoyama
Manami Mori	Katsuyo Endou
Ichiko Kamikura (Icchan)	Minami Takayama
Sei Arisaka	Takehito Koyasu
Hikaru Hibino	Rin Mizuhara
Yuka Hijiri	Yumi Tohma
Hatsune Yamashita (temp teacher)	Kikuko Inouye

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

Erika, queen of a magic world, is on Earth looking for the girl who looks exactly like Erika. She finds her in a tomboy named Himeko. Himeko (Hime-chan to her friends) is infatuated with an upperclassman boy, has fun with her friends and is an ordinary girl in all ways. This changes when Erika gives her a magic ribbon which allows Hime-chan to change into anyone she wants to. As a side effect, her stuffed lion, Pokota comes to life and acts as Hime-chan's advisor. Showing her maturity, Hime-chan immediately uses the ribbon to get closer to her 'sempai'. A 'magical girl' series with a very ordinary girl in the lead role. Billed as a magical comedy.

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: RECOMMENDED

1.36 Fist of the North Star

Fist of the North Star (TV, FILM) Genre: Miscellaneous

alternate title: Hokuto no Ken

Cast:

Kenshiro	Akira Kamiya
Shin	Toshio Furukawa
Rei	Kaneto Shiozawa

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

After the Earth is devastated by nuclear war, society breaks down into a system where only the strong survive. Often, there

are raids on normal people when 'the strong' decide that they need something. Into this desolate world comes Kenshiro, master of the Hokuto Shinken style of martial art. This style destroys the body from within by striking at one of the numerous acupuncture points. Kenshiro is a wanderer on a quest to find his lost love Yuria...taken from him in a battle with Shin long ago. The battle left Kenshiro with scars in the pattern of the Big Dipper. During his wanderings, Kenshiro defends the victims of 'the strong' for he is pledged by his art to defend the weak. Kenshiro is an extremely honorable, though somber man...almost the archetype of the tragic hero. The series is high in the amount of gore created, but the strong central characters seem to rise above that in audience appeal...

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: RECOMMENDED

1.37 Fight! Iczer-1!

Fight! Iczer-1! (OAVs) Genre: Fantasy

Cast:

Iczer-1	Yuriko Yamamoto
Iczer-2	Keiko Toda
Nagisa Kano	Mayumi Shoo
Big Gold	Kaneto Shiozawa
Sir Violet	Kaneto Shiozawa

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

Another alien invasion is underway, with the Bedem taking over human bodies. The only thing standing in their way is Iczer-1 and her partner, Nagisa. Iczer-1 doesn't know why she's fighting and Nagisa doesn't understand how she can be important. In this series, both find the answers to their questions, but at great cost.

US Release by: US Renditions (dubbed)

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: RECOMMENDED

1.38 Iczer-3

Iczer-3 (OAVs) Genre: Fantasy

Cast:

Iczer-1	Yuriko Yamamoto
Iczer-2	Keiko Toda
Iczer-3	Cutey Suzuki
Sister Grey	Sumi Shimamoto
Nagisa Kasumi	Yuri Shiratori
Atlas	Minami Takayama
Kawaii Shizuka	Yuri Amano
Fiber	Mika Doi

Golem Rihoko Yoshida

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

In deep space, a battle between Iczer-1 and Neos Gold is fought to a standstill. Both are injured and out of action, but Neos Gold sends her minions to Earth as the next battleground. Iczer-1 can't go, so she sends the inexperienced Iczer-3 to defend the Earth. A sequel to Iczer-1.

Note: Not much from the "Iczer-1" series was preserved in this one. Instead we got many fighting scenes, an overacted character conflict (Atlas), and the overly cute Iczer-3. None of the tension, character exploration, or even humor of the original was present.

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: NOT RECOMMENDED

1.39 Iron Leaguer

Iron Leaguer (TV) Genre: Sports Drama

Cast:

Ruly Ginjou (Silver Castle owner) Chisa Yokoyama
Magnum Ace Yasunori Matsumoto

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

Imagine the ultimate in sports teams...teams of robots that take on almost any sport from baseball or football to ice hockey. The games that these teams play become close to all out battles as the primary goal is to win. The focus of the series is on an underequipped and underfunded team called the "Silver Castle". The owner is a young and inexperienced girl. Their nemesis is a team called "Dark Kingdom" owned by a sinister and very rich man. The series follows the Silver Castle team, led by the baseball-specialty robot Magnum Ace, as they go from game to game and the obstacles that they have to overcome. A mix between an shounen action series and a sports series, "Iron Leaguer" works on both levels. An unusual touch is that the robots all have "super-deformed" designs as in "SD Gundam". A fun action series.

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: RECOMMENDED

1.40 Crusher Joe

Crusher Joe (FILM, OAVs) Genre: Adventure

Cast:

Crusher Joe Hiraku Takemura
Alfin Run Sasaki
Rikki Noriko Ohara
Talos Kiyoshi Kobayashi
Dongo Issei Futamata

Captain Kowalski Goroo Naya

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

In space, there are many dangerous jobs to be done. If you want the job done right, you can call on the Crusher Conference. For a fee, a Crusher team will be dispatched to your site for assignments ranging from transportation to terraforming and everything in between. Among the various worlds, the Crusher Conference has a great reputation, and among the Crushers, the best team is the one led by Crusher Joe. Despite links to the "Dirty Pair", this series is a serious & exciting adventure...

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: RECOMMENDED

1.41 Raven Tengu Kabuto

Raven Tengu Kabuto (OAV)

From: Ralph Jenkins (m0336@tnc.UUCP)

Just picked up a copy of Dark Image Entertainment/L.A. Hero's subtitled version of the latest Buichi Teresawa manga to go OAV, Raven Tengu Kabuto. For those who aren't familiar with Terasawa, some of his other works are Space Cobra and Midnight Eye: Gokuu. I believe Kabuto is the first anime adaptation of his work that he was involved in personally. The tape is in the same format as U.S. Renditions' older releases: that is, it's subtitled and comes in a clamshell case. DIE, like USR, is a division of Books Nippan; however, DIE specializes in more 'mature' anime, or titles that are not suitable for children. Kabuto is the first release under this label.

Kabuto attempts to combine two radically different genres: Japanese mythology and cyberpunk (whoa!). The story is very simple. Kabuto, a mysterious samurai, arrives in a new village, and must immediately rescue a captured princess from the castle of an evil sorceress. Okay...standard samurai movie fare. *Then* we get an intelligent robot assassin, a mechanical horse, a *flying* house, and replicants out of Blade Runner. Once the heavy metal music starts, you *know* you're in for one confused OAV!

But does it work? In my opinion, it doesn't. The story is all formula, regardless of the futuristic elements tossed in. It's not clear *why* we have two different time periods existing at once, unless one bad guy in particular is *that* smart. Still, I don't buy it. Kabuto is a difficult anime to swallow. Another gripe: The character designs are not distinctive enough; a lot of the characters tend to look too similar. Also, the running time given on the package is 45 mins., which is misleading because there are ten minutes of credits at the end (including a why-is-this-here sequence showing highlights from the video). The anime is 35 mins. long, tops.

The verdict:

If you can overlook the cliched plot and suspend all disbelief, the animation is of good quality in general, and very good in some sequences.

To wrap this up, although this is the first release under the DIE label, there isn't much in way of mature content, really. There's a little blood, and a couple of nude scenes. This is not something to show during family hour, to be sure, but it's relatively tame as far as anime horror goes.

1.42 Karura Mau

Karura Mau (FILM, OAVs) Genre: Horror

Cast:

Shoko Ougi (Shii-chan) Hiromi Tsuru
Kenmochi Kaneto Shiozawa

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

Shoko and Maiko Ougi are apparently two ordinary schoolgirls in pursuit of graduating and having fun. Shii-chan is the more serious while Mai-chan is more fun-loving. In reality, the two sisters are powerful exorcists from the Karura temple. Each wields half the power...Shii-chan can 'see' the spirits, and Mai-chan can banish them. This is a spooky series with heavy emphasis on traditionally Japanese occult themes.

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: RECOMMENDED

1.43 Kiki's Delivery Service

Kiki's Delivery Service (FILM) Genre: Drama

alternate title: Majou no Takkyuubin

Cast:

Kiki Minami Takayama
Ursula Minami Takayama
Jiji Rei Sakuma
"Osono" Keiko Toda
Tombo Kappei Yamaguchi

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

On her 13th birthday, a young witch named Kiki leaves her home to find her place in the world. She eventually ends up in a small town where she finds a room with a local baker and his wife. She meets a boy with a fascination with flight and an artist among others. A coming of age story from the hand of Hayao Miyazaki. The ending is a bit abrupt, though.

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: HIGHLY RECOMMENDED

1.44 Machine God Corps

Machine God Corps (OAVs) Genre: Giant Robots

alternate title: Kishin Heidan

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

During World War II, a German woman named Maria arrives in Japan to deliver a "module". The module has a mysterious purpose, and both the German and the Japanese military police are after it. She is rescued by a young boy and his gang. The boy's name is Taichi and his parents are dead...killed by the Military Police who were in turn killed by alien 'ghosts' from the sky. The ghosts had been destroyed by a mysterious giant robot that appeared with a great train. Maria is contacted by someone who might be a friend while her twin sister, working for the Colonel, manages to get the module. At this point, the alien ghosts make another appearance, and the great robot appears again. This OAV series has a high level of suspense and is largely a spy story. The robots are also different in that it uses WWII-era technology (i.e. steam engines for power plants, machine guns and cannons for weapons).

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: HIGHLY RECOMMENDED

1.45 KO Century Beast: 3 Beast Warriors

KO Century Beast: 3 Beast Warriors (OAVs) Genre: Comedy

alternate title: KO Seiki Beast Sanjuushi

Cast:

Wan Dabada	Kappei Yamaguchi
Bud Mint	Takendo Koyasu
Mei Mah	Mika Kanai
Mekka Mannen	Kousan Shioya
V-Darn	Yasunori Matsumoto
V-Sion	Yuko Mizutani
Akumako	Naoko Matsui
Uni Charm Password	Rumi Shishido

Anime Pocket Guide Description: (by Avi Melman)

Due to human folly, the Earth was split apart into its Northern and Southern hemispheres. The Southern hemisphere drifted off into deep space. On the remaining Northern hemisphere, the surviving humans evolved into creatures that could 'morph' into half human/animal forms. These 'Beasts' worshipped animal-like god-statues called 'Jinn'. When the 'real' humans returned, they starting capturing the Jinn (the Jinn are really human-created mecha animals of great power inside the statues). This series follows a group of 3 young Beasts from very different tribes. All were captured, but escaped with the help of a human and his granddaughter. This is a very funny comedy series with an odd cast of characters. Bud, in particular, speaks a great

deal of English and thinks he's a hit with the girls...

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: HIGHLY RECOMMENDED (Avi Melman)

1.46 Kimagure Orange Road

Kimagure Orange Road (FILM, OAV, TV) Genre: Romantic Comedy

Cast:

Kyosuke Kasuga	Tohru Furuya
Madoka Ayukawa	Hiromi Tsuru
Hikaru Hiyama	Eriko Hara
Manami Kasuga	Michie Tomizawa
Kurumi Kasuga	Chieko Honda
Akane	Naoko Matsui
Shiori ("Heart On Fire" OAV)	Yuko Mizutani
Mitsuru Hayakawa	Yasunori Matsumoto

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

Kyosuke is a new student looking about town. While counting the no. of stairs on a hill, he sees a UFO...uhh..hat and the girl it belongs to. He later finds out that the girl is Madoka, a local tough girl who can throw a mean guitar pick. Despite that, he tries to win her affections...but Hikaru-chan has latched on HIM. To make things worse, Hikaru-chan is Madoka's best friend. Kyosuke tries to pursue Madoka without hurting Hikaru-chan, and is *very* indecisive about everything. Adding to the confusion is his, and his family's secret psychic powers...though Kurumi isn't too serious about keeping the secret. A romantic comedy with a dose of nostalgia for your junior high school days.

US Release by: AnimEigo (subtitled) -- FILM/OAV only

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: RECOMMENDED

Television Episode List

1.47 NG Knight Lamune & 40

NG Knight Lamune & 40 (TV, OAVs) Genre: Comedy

Cast:

Lamuness (Baba Lamune)	Takeshi Kusao
Princess Milk	Chisa Yokoyama
Princess Cocoa	Sakiko Tamagawa
Lesuka/Cafe au lait	Naoko Matsui
Da Cider	Kazuki Yao
Tama-Q	Chie Koojiro
Heavy Metal-ko (Hebi Metako)	TARAKO
Don Harumage	Shoozoo Iizuka
Mountain Dew Gold	Megumi Hayashibara
Mountain Dew Silver	Kotono Mitsuishi

Anime Pocket Guide Description: (by Avi Melman)

Lamune is an ordinary 4th grade boy who loves playing video games. He buys one from a peddler girl (and helps her sell the rest :-)). At home, he plays the game called 'King Scasher' & beats it. The peddler girl then comes out of the TV screen and asks for his help, calling him "The Blood Relative of the Chosen Hero Lamuness" or Lamuness for short. She is Princess Milk and takes him to Hara-Hara World where his role is to revive the Guardian Knights...starting with King Scasher. To do this, he had to find an unlock the shrine which held Tama-Q...a robot who became Lamuness' Advisor Robot. Normally worn on Lamuness' shoulder, Tama-Q, when fed a coin of a Guardian Knight, coughs up a capsule which releases that Knight. All of the Knights are free-thinking mechas except for King Scasher which is piloted by Lamuness. Opposing Lamuness is Don Harumage and his minions Da Cider and Lesuka. Later, Lesuka and Da Cider sort of defect to the good guys. Da Cider also tells really bad puns (DAJARE). A fun giant-robot series. Note that "Lamune & 40 EX" and "Lamune & 40 DX" are OAV series following the TV series...

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: RECOMMENDED

1.48 Laputa: The Castle in the Sky

Laputa: The Castle in the Sky (FILM) Genre: Adventure

alternate title: Tenku no Shiro Laputa

Cast:

Sheeta	Keiko Yokozawa
Pazu	Mayumi Tanaka
The General	Ichiroo Nagai
Madge	TARAKO
<Unknown character>	Megumi Hayashibara

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

Sheeta is a young girl with a very special stone. The stone makes her the objective of government agents and pirates who the power that the stone will give them. Sheeta escapes and is befriended by Pazu, a boy from a mining town who is aware of Sheeta's Levistone only as a jewel with mysterious powers, and not as a key to the treasures held in the legendary Laputa. A great adventure movie directed by Hayao Miyazaki. (It's been rumored that "Nadia: Secret of Blue Water" was based partially on "Laputa").

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: HIGHLY RECOMMENDED

1.49 Fantastic Adventures of Yohko: Leda

Fantastic Adventures of Yohko: Leda (OAV) Genre: Fantasy

Cast:

Yohko Hiromi Tsuru
Zell Shuichi Ikeda

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

A young girl, Yohko, is composing and playing a piece on her piano. She is too shy to say that she likes a boy, so she writes this music to express her feelings toward him. The music to supposed to give her courage, but when the time comes, she still fails to talk to him. As she ponders what to do, the landscape melts around her and Yohko is transported to an oppressed land where Zell reigns supreme. After encountering a talking dog, Yohko finds that her music is the key between the worlds...and that she is also the one chosen by the goddess Leda to be her warrior against Zell. Yohko must stop Zell before he can use her music to come into our Earth. The story is very straightforward, and has an aura of wonder around it. Yohko is a girl with unexpected gifts, but her feelings will prove to be the most important thing of all. A touching, if ordinary story.

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: RECOMMENDED

1.50 Legend of Lemnear

Legend of Lemnear (OAV) Genre: Fantasy

alternate title: Varukisas

Cast:

Rian Keiko Yokozawa

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

A young girl runs back to her village to find it destroyed, and her brother taken by a sorcerer. To fight back, Lemnear trains herself to become a warrior. One day, she wanders into another village and her beauty catches the eye of the local ruler. She defeats the thugs sent to take her, but falls before the magic of the sorcerer whom she wants to kill. Fighting on, she will eventually face the sorcerer's master in a final battle. This was a pretty standard "girl seeks revenge on ultimate evil" story, but was presented well. An enjoyable action story.

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: RECOMMENDED

1.51 Locke the Superman

Locke the Superman (FILM, OAVs) Genre: Science Fiction

Anime Pocket Guide Description: (by Tom Jewell)

A "retired" super-psychic from wars long ago is sought by the government to stop an evil cabal of psychics with galactic domination on their minds. Locke's main opponent in the film is Jessica, a super-psychic herself who has been brainwashed into believing that Locke was responsible for her parents' death. The battle takes Locke and a government agent, Commander Yamaki into a Red Giant star, where the cabal has its secret base. Editor's Note: A recent OAV series on "Locke" pits an unwilling Locke against Lord Leon, a powerful psychic who is seeking revenge against those responsible for his family's death. The names are changed, but the plot's the same... :-)

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: RECOMMENDED

1.52 Record of Lodoss War

Record of Lodoss War (OAVs) Genre: Fantasy

alternate title: Lodoss-tou Senki

Cast:

Pern	(the warrior)	.....	Takeshi Kusao
Deedlit	(the elf)	.....	Yumi Tohma
Eto	(the cleric)	.....	Kappei Yamaguchi
Lord Kashew		.....	Shuichi Ikeda
Ashram		.....	Akira Kamiya
Karla		.....	Yoshiko Sakakibara
Seeris		.....	Minami Takayama
Pirotase		.....	Sakiko Tamagawa

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

Long ago, a titanic war ended between 2 gods which split the land into two islands. One of them is the island of Lodoss. The peace on Lodoss is being disrupted, and Pern decides to find out why. Almost by accident, he forms a band to help on his quest. The band consists of: an elf, a dwarf, a cleric, a wizard, a thief, and a warrior (Pern). The OAV series follows their adventures. This series has a very heavy Role-Playing-Game(RPG) influence to it. Note that there seems to be a break in the story between parts 8 and 9.

From: Mitsuhiro Sakai (sakai@dylink.usc.edu)

There are 4 (or 5, now?) novels of "Record of Lodoss War" by Ryo Mizuno.

The OVAs are based on the first volume of the novels.

"Record of Lodoss War" was born as a table talk role playing game created by Group SNE(Ryo Mizuno is one of them.).

Then, it turned into the novels by Ryo Mizuno, published by Kadokawa-Shoten.

From: dansu@ocf.berkeley.edu (Dan Su)

An introduction to Record of Lodoss War
Translated from the July 1990 issue of NewType
by Dan Su
Anime Berkeley

"30 years of peace has come to an end.
Once again, war clouds hang over Lodoss..."

The peace of Lodoss island was obtained through the noble sacrifice of the heroes who challenged the demons of darkness. But now, 30 years later, with renewed evil ambition, the Marmoian emperor Beld has begun his attack. Here, a new record of war unfolds...

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The Evil Figure Hiding in Lodoss' History

"Record of Lodoss War" is not simply a record of a war. It takes place in a war-torn world, with heroes who earnestly believe in justice and who rely on their own inner strength. It is also an epic describing the growth of these characters.

The story starts out with a goblin invasion of the hero Pern's home village of Zaxon where most of the villagers are massacred. To the people of Lodoss who haven't seen war since the last battle with demons 30 years ago, this was a totally unthinkable event.

Pern, who's father served as a holy knight in Vallis, wonders about the unusual disaster, "Now, something is about to happen to this island." Pern and his friends, Eto, a Fallis Shinto priest (i.e. cleric) who is also Pern's childhood friend, Slain, a magician known within the village of Zaxon, and Gim, a dwarf warrior, set out to find the cause of the unusual events. The truth is, at that time, evil ambition covered the island of Lodoss. Beld, the emperor of Marmo, the island of darkness, set out to conquer Lodoss.

It was really a bolt from the blue. Kanon's stronghold, Shining Hill, as well as Alan, the capital of the "Millenium" kingdom Alania, easily fell to the Marmoian forces.

Beld gloats over the success of his battle plan. However, he was formerly one of the seven heroes who fought the demon-gods to the end. Why would one of those heroes (do something like this)...? What in the world could have made him give up his hero's name/title? [I think this has the connotation: what could have turned him from good to evil?] That is a puzzle no one can figure out. Also, wherever the Marmoian army goes, the enemy's resistance is utterly destroyed by the grey witch Karra's mighty magic. Undoubtedly, she holds the key to part of this mystery.

On their way to the fortress Mice, Pern and company (which now includes Deedlit the elf and Woodchuck the thief) run into Karra when they happen to rescue Vallis' queen, Fianna, whom Karra is trying to kidnap.

As the story goes on, the battle between Karra and Pern's group and the battle between the Marmoian army and the Vallis army that's trying to stop them continue. In the process, Pern and his friends will really grow/mature. Also, an unexpected truth in Lodoss'

history will be revealed.

[Sorry for not breaking up all the relative clauses into separate sentences. I hope the english doesn't sound too awkward. Also, I'm sure I spelled some of the names wrong since I don't know the official spellings.

-DS 4/4/91]

From: Chadwick Ngan (chadwick@world.std.com)

The first 8 episodes of the OVA followed rather closely to the events happening in the first novel. There are, of course, some editorial changes during transition to the silver screen.

The next 2 OVA episodes follows volume 3-4 of the novels somewhat loosely. The basic plots is more or less the same, but there are many changes as well, since the OVA involves only one cast, Parn and co. The novel, on the other hand, spend considerate pages on new characters other than Sheris and Orson.

By episode 11-13, the OVA differed from volume 6-7 of the novels so much that only the concept remains the same. Basically they took the idea from the RPG replay and made it evolve around the OVA cast. The novels, by this time, concentrates on a different group of people, with Parn and others playing a supportive role.

One thing of interest is that the last volume [7] of the novel were not in print when the OVA series was concluded. In a sense the OVA is ahead of the events depicted by the novel, even though they both stem from the same RPG replay.

Finally, the OVA crammed everything into a time span of no more than 2 years, whereas the same story is told over a period of 13+ years in the novels. Parn actually mature into somebody respectable there. This difference in time also presented a difficulty to the character designers, when they wondered how they are going to make a "Knight of Lodoss" image out of a 20 years-old fool. :)

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: RECOMMENDED - especially if you're into RPGs.

1.53 Demon Warrior Luna Varuga

Demon Warrior Luna Varuga (OAVs) Genre: Fantasy

alternate title: Majuu Senshi Luna Varuga

Cast:

Princess Luna	Michie Tomizawa
Rapier	Hiromi Tsuru
Ril	Eriko Hara
Princess Zena	Kikuko Inouye

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

The Kingdom of Rimzubel is being invaded by the Dambos Kingdom. 2nd Princess Luna de Rimzubel finds her injured grandfather in a secret passage. He thought that the chamber below held a secret that could save the kingdom. Luna goes into the chamber and is asked if she wants the 'power'. To save her kingdom, Luna says 'Yes'. Outside, the Dambos soldiers are knocking at the front gate...with a battering ram. The sudden appearance of a giant monster (think of Gojira :-)) in the middle of their camp stops the invasion. On the monster's head is a naked Luna. We find that this is the demon Varuga who, according to legend, defeated a demon lord. Luna is now his brain. Vina, Luna's little sister, is abducted to revive that demon lord and it's all-of-a-sudden up to Luna and Varuga (and Luna's faithful servant Roco) to save Vina and stop the demon lord. This is a fun fantasy adventure series with lots of slapstick comedy. Even if Luna has a distressing habit of losing her clothes... :-)

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: RECOMMENDED

1.54 Black Magic M-66

Black Magic M-66 (OAV) Genre: Science Fiction

Cast:

Sybil Yoshiko Sakakibara
Colonel's SIC Kyoko Tongu
Felice Chisa Yokoyama

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

An unmarked military cargo plane goes down during a storm. Sybil gets wind of this and, in true reporter hound fashion, goes after the story. The military finds the plane, and Sybil finds the military...who captures her. Everything breaks loose as the 'cargo' -- 2 combat robots -- attack the encampment. One is destroyed, and the other goes on a seek-and-destroy mission. The target: Felicia...granddaughter of the inventor. It's up to the escaped Sybil to get to Felicia first. This is a well done suspenseful thriller.

US Release by: US Renditions (subtitled)

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: RECOMMENDED

1.55 Superdimensional Fortress Macross

Superdimensional Fortress Macross (FILM, TV) Genre: Science Fiction

alternate title: Choh Jikuu Yousai Macross

Cast:

Hikaru Ichijoo Arihiro Hase
Misa Hayase Mika Doi

Lin Minmei Mari Iijima
Roy Folker Akira Kamiya
Claudia LaSalle Noriko Ohara
Narrator Noriko Ohara
Maximillian Genius Shoo Hayami
Kim Kaviroff Hiromi Tsuru
Vanessa Reyard Run Sasaki

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

An alien spaceship crashes on Macross Island, and Earth has to deal with the alien fleet which is following it. However, human civilization is an example of 'protoculture' which the Zentraedi (the aliens) are suppose to avoid. Dubbed and marketed as a segment of the 'Robotech' series.

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: RECOMMENDED

1.56 Metal Skin Panic Madox-01

Metal Skin Panic Madox-01 (OAV) Genre: Comedy

Cast:

Haruo Onose Arihiro Hase
Ellie Kusumoto Youko Asagami

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

A parody of the giant robot genre. What happens if you're trapped inside of a robot weapon, the army is after you, you're causing massive devastation in the city, and, worst of all, you're going to be late for your date!?!?

US Release by: AnimEigo (subtitled)

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: RECOMMENDED

1.57 Maison Ikkoku

Maison Ikkoku (FILM, OAV, TV) Genre: Romantic Comedy

Cast:

Yusaku Godai Issei Futamata
Kyoko Otonashi Sumi Shimamoto
Hanae Ichinose Kazuyo Aoki
Yotsuya Shigeru Chiba
Akemi Roppongi Yuhko Mita
Yagami Ibuki Yuriko Fuchizaki
Sayoko Kuroki Saeko Shimazu
Asuna Kujo Hiromi Tsuru
Shun Mitaka Akira Kamiya
Kozue Nanao Mina Tominaga
Yousuke Nanao Megumi Hayashibara
Sakamoto Toshio Furukawa

Sayuko Kuroki (MI movie) Yoshiko Sakakibara

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

Godai is a ronin (i.e. someone who's failed university entrance exams) living in room #5 of a run down apartment house called Maison Ikkoku. Among the other residents are the nosy Ichinose (room #1), the sexy Akemi Roppongi (#6), and the mysterious Yotsuya (#4). The others are given to having wild parties which makes it difficult for Godai to study. Into this mayhem comes the recently widowed Kyoko as the new live-in manager. Godai falls for her, but doesn't have the nerve to tell her. The show follows their developing relationship amid the crazy goings on at Maison Ikkoku. A romantic comedy by Rumiko Takahashi.

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: HIGHLY RECOMMENDED

1.58 Mama is a 4th Grade Student

Mama is a 4th Grade Student (TV) Genre: Drama

alternate title: Mama wa Shoukagu 4 Nensei

Cast:

Natsumi Mizuki Satomi Koorogi
 Mirai Rihoko Yoshida
 Izumi Shimazu Kazu Ikura
 Bobby (the dog) Takumi Yamazaki
 Daisuke Yamaguchi Urara Takano
 Sawako Yamaguchi (Daisuke's mom) Sumi Shimamoto
 Tamae Mori (school friend) Tomoko Maruo
 Eriko Tachibana (school friend) Yuri Shiratori
 Ryuuichi Fukazawa (classmate) Akemi Shinohara
 Hideo Hanada (classmate) Kappei Yamaguchi
 Midori Hanada (Hideo's mom) Hisako Kyouda
 Kouzourou Mizuki (Natsumi's dad) Aruno Tahara
 Ruriko Mizuki (Natsumi's mom) Chiyoko Kawashima
 Mario Jun-ichi Kanamaru
 Tsuru Ono Reiko Yamada
 Ookawa Fuurin Cha
 Eji (an inventor) Ichiroo Nagai
 Tsubame-kun (Eji's robot assistant) Naoki Makishima
 Yokoshima (a reporter) Yoshitada Ootuka

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

Natsumi Mizuki is a 4th grader whose parents have gone to London. Her Aunt Izumi comes to live with her. Izumi is an aspiring manga writer who is trying to get her first big break, so she doesn't have time for a baby that appears out of thin air on Natsumi's first night alone. The baby's name is Mirai and her mother is *Natsumi*, but 15 years older. Somehow, Mirai had traveled back in time. Now the young Natsumi has to raise Mirai while trying to keep her 4th grade life from falling apart *and* keep Mirai-chan secret from everyone. She has the dubious help of Izumi and some baby-care gadgets from the future. This is a pretty good sitcom with lots of funny and tender moments.

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: RECOMMENDED

1.59 Floral Elf Mary Bell

Floral Elf Mary Bell (TV) Genre: Magical Girls

alternate title: Hana no Mahou Tsukai Mary Bell

Cast:

Mary Bell Chieko Honda
Tambourine Chika Sakamoto
Ken Ai Orikasa
Yuuri Satomi Koorogi

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

In the town of Sunnyvale (no joke!), Ken and Yuuri are two children who have a life filled with magic. They have a close friend named Mary Bell; a 500,000 year old witch who looks and acts like a 5 year old girl. With Mary Bell, the children meet lots of magical creatures...nature sprites, spirits, fairies and even Tsuki no Usagi once! When trouble looms, Mary Bell (with her friend Tambourine) can transform and use her magic to help, though she sometimes makes mistakes and tends to oversleep. A "magical girl" series for little girls.

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: RECOMMENDED - high sugar content, though

1.60 Goldfish Warning!

Goldfish Warning! (TV)

alternate title: Kingyou Chuuihou!

The series is called Kingyou Chuuihou! which translates as Goldfish Warning! [as in Hurricane Warning :-)] The author is Nekobe Neko. Up to recently Goldfish Warning! was in Nakayoshi, a monthly shoujo manga magazine. Seven compilations of the manga are available [consult the rec.arts.manga Manga Guide for details].

For the TV version each episode contains two segments, sometimes they are two separate stories, sometimes they are two parts of the same story. All the stories are self contained and there is little or no sequential order to them.

The drawing style of the characters varies between normal, part-gag and full-gag depending on the situation [gag is sort of like SD but not necessarily super-cute]. Normal style tends to be used in "serious" situations like when Chitose acts upperclass for example she is admiring herself in the mirror. Part-gag is "normal" mode for most characters and full-gag is used in "gag" situations like when Chitose discovers that her hair is really a disaster...

The set-up of the story is this: Fujinomiya Chitose's wealthy father dies with debts that leave her almost broke. She is kicked out of the snobbish Tokai no Gakuen [City Academy] and she is left with nothing in the world except for the clothes on her back and one pink goldfish called Gyopi-chan, the only thing left by her father.

While wandering lost she collapses on the grounds the poor-but-happy Inaka no Chuugakkou [Country Jr. High School], where the students are rough [ie un-cultured] but friendly, and animals regularly roam the school grounds and even attend class. When she recovers she enters the school even though she is unhappy with its air of poverty.

Her family lawyer, Tanakayama, comes in presumably to see to her welfare, but actually plots to steal her rare pink goldfish, which is extremely valuable. Caught in the act by the school's guard chicken Piiko and stopped by a student named Wapiko, he drops a safety deposit box key belonging to Chitose's late father. The deposit box turns out to contain enough deeds, stocks and other goodies to make Chitose set for life, but instead of returning to the rich school that rejected her, she uses some of the money to rebuild the poor school into the New Country Jr. High School.

In exchange for such generosity, she appoints herself the school's chairperson of the board and student president. She then spends most of her time trying to bring a little big-city sophistication to the school and its student body and trying to get them to seriously compete (for her revenge, of course) against the City Academy. Naturally, she fails miserably. Future episodes usually centre around this theme or around Chitose's attitude keeping her from just enjoying herself the way the "low-class" country students do.

Other odd elements include the pigs, cows (human size!), chickens, cats, and so on that can often be found in the classroom with the students. The cows in particular play a fair part in the show, and two or three of them have become recognisable characters.

Wapiko: The show's super-energetic, carefree heroine. Besides being incredibly fast, strong, and agile, she also has a great tracking nose and is very good with animals as well. The animals all look up to her, and she often serves as intermediary between them and Chitose. She can be upset or angry, but it usually doesn't last long. Her primary purpose in life seems to be just to enjoy it.

Gyopi-chan: Currently valued in the hundreds of millions of yen. It is eventually revealed that not only is the goldfish worth a mint, he can also fly and talk, and is especially fond of potato chips.

Chitose: Even after losing it all and still being accepted by the poor school you'd think she'd have learnt something, but she hasn't! She still considers herself a lady of refinement and above all the country riff-raff, even though she can and often does act wilder and cruder than any of them. She does seem to occasionally notice that these people are good characters, but rarely seems to pick up any of their better traits. Despite her good intentions for the school, a big part of her remains a self-serving, snobbish schemer.

Shuu: Short for Kitada Shuuichi. The straight man of the series, he is the only person at New Country Jr. High who even comes close to a "student" as Chitose knows them. She appoints him student vice-president, and he is always referring to her as "Miss Student President", never by name. He is more the stereotyped girls' manga-type boy: serious, intelligent, gentle, slim, and handsome. He rarely if ever loses his temper, instead spending a lot of his time dealing with Chitose's. However, despite his serious character and position relative to her, he is above all a New Country student, and remains loyal to his friends there in spite of what Chitose thinks of them.

Aoi: The school delinquent, [well actually the school "human" delinquent as there is delinquent bull :-)] he is forever late to class or forgetting at least half his required class materials. He is, however, quite handsome, and is not above exploiting this. If he didn't make a fool of himself so often, he'd make a pretty good romantic lead.

Michael: Head of the school's Drama Club and he always carry a guitar with him. He has a cat which always punch him, and it turns out that he is the elder brother of the Prince from the Chocolate Empire! As for his "charm point" as he calls it... ...and you thought the girls' eyes were big!!!

Sugadaira Yurika: Student President at the City Academy and Chitose's rival. She is forever trying to find ways to do in or absorb New Country, and would succeed more if she wasn't so infatuated with Aoi. It might also help if she got rid of Tanakayama.

Tanakayama: After the first episode he goes to work for Yurika, and spends most of his time either spying on New Country on her orders or eating at the City Academy's expense.

Takapi: Chairman of City Academy's central committee (a position he takes seriously) and Tanakayama's designated assistant spy. He's a good student, if a little snobby, but his spying work is hampered by a crush he has on Wapiko.

Credits: Most of the text was taken from a Mangazine article that Widya Santoso sent me. I have no idea who the original author of the article is nor what issue it came from. I rewrote sections based on information provided by Cynthia Ma (u1040448@arch.unsw.edu.au) and she provided the final editing and approval [I always say consult the expert when you want to write an article on something and she is the expert on Goldfish Warning!].

- Michael Edwards (michaele@nsg.com.au) 20/08/93

1.61 Demon Hunter Yohko

Demon Hunter Yohko (OAVs) Genre: Comedy

alternate title: Mamono Hunter Yohko

Cast:

Yohko Mano Aya Hisakawa
Sayoko Mano (mother) Hiromi Tsuru

Madoka Mano (grandmother) Yuji Mitsuya
Chikako Chieko Honda
Osamu Kappei Yamaguchi
Reiko Naoko Matsui
High school principal Mika Doi

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

Yohko is an ordinary schoolgirl who is infatuated with one of her attractive male schoolmates. What she *doesn't* know is that she comes from a family of demon hunters...and she is next in line to receive the power. A powerful demon is aware of this, and seeks to kill her, or prevent her from receiving the power. A light-hearted romp into the demon-hunting/cute girl anime stereotype. The 2nd part gives Yohko an apprentice named Azusa and is even sillier than the 1st part. Part 3 is about a man Yohko falls in love in...in her dreams.

US Release by: A.D. Vision (subtitled)

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: RECOMMENDED

1.62 Miracle Girls

Miracle Girls (TV) Genre: Magical Girls

Cast:

Tomomi Matsunaga Nariko Fujie
Mikage Matsunaga Noriko Nagai
Yuuya Noda Kappei Yamaguchi
Shinichiro Kageura Ken Yamaguchi
Hideaki Kurashige Kaneto Shiozawa
Rumiko Daijouji Rei Sakuma
Marie Michiyo Okimoto
Emma Tomiyo Okimoto
Reiko Ikue Ootani

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

This is a "magical girls" series about two twin girls who go to high school. Tomomi is a tomboyish girl who is good at sports (she's the star of the volleyball team). Mikage is more feminine and is better academically, despite her tendency to blow up the Chemistry Club. Both girls have boyfriends, though Mikage's left for London in the 2nd episode. Mikage tends to have more romantic relationships while Tomomi is on the 'buddy' system. What makes these girls different is their ESP powers. Both have limited telekinesis, have telepathy only with each other, and can teleport only when both work together. The series is about the sometimes funny/sad/romantic lives of the two twins and the occasional complications brought about when they use their powers. There is also an almost gothic mystery surrounding the powers and the role 4 flowers play in it...

NOTE: Interesting gimmick. The eyecatch has pictures of 2 twins (all appear about 1-3 years old) when going to commercial. When coming out, a picture of "Dio", the 2 ED singers posing

as Tomomi and Mikage is used. The ED has Dio performing the song against an animated background...

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: RECOMMENDED

1.63 Fairy Princess Minky Momo

Fairy Princess Minky Momo (TV, OAV) Genre: Magical Girls

alternate title: Mahou no Princess Minky Momo

Cast:

Minky Momo (1st series)	Mami Koyama
Shindobukku	Yuu Tanonaka
Pipiru	Yuhko Mita
Mocha	Reiko Kifuji
Mama	Mika Doi
Papa	Rokuro Naya
King of Fenarinarsa	Hiroshi Masuoka
Queen of Fenarinarsa	Emiko Tsukada
Minky Momo (2nd series)	Megumi Hayashibara
Kukku Bukku	Toshiharu Sakurai
Rupipi	Chisa Yokoyama
Chaamo	Mari Mashiba
Mama	Misa Watanabe
Papa	Masashi Ebara
Brenda Jo	Hiromi Tsuru
Shadow	Yuko Minaguchi

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

Momo is a little girl living with her parents. She's a very bright and friendly girl given to helping those that she meets. Minky Momo is actually a princess from the "Land of Dreams" and she is on Earth to help humans not to lose their dreams. There are actually 2 Minky Momo TV series:

Minky Momo (1982-83) - Momo-chan and her parents run a pet shop. Momo comes from Fenarinarsa which moved to near-Earth space when humans lost their dreams. Momo uses her magic to change into various 18 year old girls with expert skills in some area. At the end of the series, Momo was run over by a truck and her spirit was reborn as a human.

Minky Momo (1991-92) - Another Momo-chan lives with her human parents who run a hotel. Premise is the same as the first series, except that this Momo has more general use of her magic - being able to cast spells as well as transform.

Minky Momo comes from Marinenarsa which sits at the bottom of the sea. Note that the first Minky Momo (now human) has also appeared in this series.

In both series, Momo-chan lives with human parents, but her real parents live in their respective cities and Minky Momo is a real princess. Both "Land of Dreams" retreated to their current locations because humans have lost sight of their dreams. This is a "magical girl" series which is surprisingly good, considering that it's directed at little girls...

US Release by: Harmony Gold (dubbed as "Magical Princess Gigi")

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: RECOMMENDED

1.64 Moldiver

Moldiver (OAVs) Genre: Comedy

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

An inventor called Hiromi creates a new power-suit: the Mol-Unit. He dreams of doing good deeds with this suit. Hiromi gets his chance quickly; machine gals (scantily clad robot women) disrupt a beauty pageant, and the Mol-Unit is put to its first test. It passes with flying colors and the attack is repelled. Of course, there are some disadvantages to the Mol-Unit...it has a time limit, and when it expires, the Mol-Unit disappears leaving the naked wearer of the suit...ahh...naked. Mirai, a girl living with Hiromi discovers the Mol-Unit plans and makes some changes. When Hiromi finds that the new suit appearance was a cute girl, he makes Mirai wear it. She changes the name to "Moldiver" and finds out that the cute girl disguise doesn't always appear... sometimes the beefy superhero is used. This is a funny parody on the powersuit genre.

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: RECOMMENDED

1.65 Muka Muka Paradise

Muka Muka Paradise (TV) Genre: Drama

Cast:

Muka Muka Chika Sakamoto
Uiba Shikatani Kumiko Watanabe
Hazuki Shiberia Rika Matsumoto

Anime Pocket Guide Description: (by Hitoshi Doi)

A baby dinosaur was born from the giant egg that was brought to the pet shop Shikatani. The dinosaur thought that the daughter of the store, Uiba, was the mother. Uiba called the dinosaur Muka Muka because that was all the dinosaur can say. Muka Muka ate a lot and played a lot. He caused a lot of commotion in the shopping district. This anime shows the "at home" world of Uiba's childhood friend Senta, her older girl friend Hazuki, and the other people of the neighborhood shopping district.

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: RECOMMENDED

1.66 Nadia: The Secret of Blue Water

Nadia: The Secret of Blue Water (TV) Genre: Adventure

alternate title: Fushigi no Umi no Nadia

Cast:

Nadia	Yoshino Takamori
Jean	Noriko Hidaka
Marie	Yuko Mizutani
Grandis	Kumiko Takizawa
Sanson	Kenyu Horiuchi
Hanson	Toshiharu Sakurai
Electra	Kikuko Inoue
King	Toshiharu Sakurai

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

It is the turn of the 19th century. It's a time of wild hopes and aspirations as the Industrial Revolution is coming up to full steam. It is also a time of worry as there have been a number of ship sinkings recently. What do these sinkings have to do with a circus girl named Nadia, whose only possession is a jewel called Blue Water? When she meets Jean, that's when this adventure series begins! Based on "Twenty Thousand Leagues under the Sea" by Jules Verne.

US Release by: Streamline Pictures (dubbed)

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: HIGHLY RECOMMENDED

Episode List

1.67 Nadia of the Mysterious Seas

Nadia of the Mysterious Seas (FILM) Genre: Adventure

alternate title: Fushigi no Umi no Nadia movie

Cast:

Nadia	Yoshino Takamori
Jean	Noriko Hidaka
Grandis	Kumiko Takizawa
Sanson	Kenyu Horiuchi
Hanson	Toshiharu Sakurai

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

Two years after the events of the series, Nadia is working as an aspiring reporter for a London newspaper. Jean is working on his inventions back in his native France. The news of various important people vaporising and a girl washed up on shore will reunite Nadia and Jean for another adventure.

Note: the 1st 1/2 hour of this 'movie' is clips from the series, and the rest of the movie played as a poor TV episode with cliched villains and a hokey plot line.

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: NOT RECOMMENDED

1.68 All-Purpose Cultural Cat Girl Nuku-Nuku

All-Purpose Cultural Cat Girl Nuku-Nuku (OAVs) Genre: Comedy

alternate title: Bannou Buka Nekomusume

Cast:

Nuku-Nuku (Atsuko Natsume) Megumi Hayashibara
Kyoko Akiko Hiramatsu
Arisa Aya Hisakawa
Kyuusaku Natsume (Papa-san) Akira Kamiya
Akiko Natsume Saeko Shimazu

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

A scientist, his son, and an incomplete robot are sneaking away. Along the way, the son gets out to satisfy an urge of nature, and comes back with a cat that found him. At this point, gunfire erupts around them, and they try to get away. They succeed, but the cat had been killed by a stray shot. Sometime later, the son is going to school with his "big sister" named Nuku-Nuku. Yes, this is the robot (who now looks like a cute girl) with the brain of that cat. Of course, things don't stay peaceful for long; the boy's mother wants him back! A fast-paced action comedy.

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: RECOMMENDED

1.69 Nausicaa of the Valley of Wind

Nausicaa of the Valley of Wind (FILM) Genre: Drama

alternate title: Kaze no Tani no Nausicaa

Cast:

Princess Nausicaa Sumi Shimamoto
Master Yupa Goroo Naya
Princess Kushana Yoshiko Sakakibara
Mito Ichiroo Nagai
Princess Lastelle Mina Tominaga

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

In the far future, man has destroyed the Earth in the "Seven Days of Fire". Now, there are small pockets of humanity that survive. One pocket is the Valley of Wind where a princess named Nausicaa tries to understand, rather than destroy the Toxic Jungle. Directed by Hayao Miyazaki.

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: HIGHLY RECOMMENDED

1.70 Only Yesterday

Only Yesterday (FILM) Genre: Drama

alternate title: Omohide Poro-Poro

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

Taeko Okajima, a 27 year old OL (Office Lady) is going to take a sabbatical. With no real hometown to go to, she journeys to a farm owned by the family of her oldest sister's husband. As she goes on the journey, she has many flashbacks to 1966 when she was 10 years old. Through the younger Taeko's eyes, we see a normal life of a school kid with many events which were significant to her. The film continues in this vein, switching between the purposeless life of the older Taeko as she arrives at the farm, and attempts to get to her roots, and the younger Taeko with all the attendant joys and sorrows of growing up. This is a very melancholy film as we enter the ordinary life of Taeko and her brief time on the farm. Directed by Isao Takahata and produced by Hayao Miyazaki.

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: HIGHLY RECOMMENDED

1.71 Otaku no Video

Otaku no Video (OAVs) Genre: Comedy

Cast:

Kubo Kouji Tsujitani
Tanaka Toshiharu Sakurai
Yuri Satou Yuri Amano
Yoshiko Ueno Kikuko Inouye
Miyoshi Masami Kikuchi

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

Kubo is an ordinary guy in college with an ordinary outlook on life and an ordinary future. This changes when he meets up with an old friend named Tanaka and is introduced to the mysterious world of the "otaku". Kubo finds himself becoming an **ANIME OTAKU**. With this new interest, Kubo and Tanaka open "General Products": a company specializing in anime garage kits. Of course, GP is wildly successful and Kubo has a dream...to create an amusement park catering exclusively to anime otakus. "Otaku no Video 1985" chronicles the downfall of Kubo & Tanaka and his efforts to create a new company based around a new Magical Girl character...Misty May. This 2 OAV series was a self-parody of Gainax; a company filled with anime otakus. There were also numerous "interviews" of different otakus. "Otaku no Video" can be amusing or insulting, depending on your outlook.

NOTE: "otaku" literally means "you", but in common usage refers to a person that is extremely knowledgeable and/or fanatical about a topic. An "anime otaku" refers to someone who lives and breathes anime. In Japan, "otaku" has the same stigma

as "nerd". On rec.arts.anime, "otaku" tends to be rather complimentary...meaning someone who knows a lot.

US Release by: AnimEigo (subtitled)

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: RECOMMENDED

1.72 Outlanders

Outlanders (OAV) Genre: Comedy

Cast:

Princess Kahm Fumi Hirano

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

While invading the Sacred Planet (Earth), Princess Kahm destroys an army unit, but is unexpectedly defeated by a photographer named Tetsuya who's covering the invasion. Kahm promptly does three things: kisses him, kidnaps him and plans to marry him. On the way back, she finds that many are opposed to the marriage (which, as a side benefit, is supposed to save Earth) including her father. Tetsuya rescues her, and they try to elope. This OAV attempted to cram the entire manga into 1 hour and comes out confused...but it's still fun, nevertheless.

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: RECOMMENDED

1.73 Mobile Police Patlabor

Mobile Police Patlabor (FILM, OAVs, TV) Genre: Drama

Cast:

Noa Izumi Mina Tominaga
Asuma Shinohara Toshio Furukawa
Isao Ohta Michihiro Ikemizu
Kanuka Clancy You Inouye
Takeo Kumagami Keiko Yokozawa
Hiromi Yamazaki Daisuke Gouri
Mikiyasu Shinshi Issei Futamata
Shinobu Nagumo Yoshiko Sakakibara
Kiichi Goto Ryunosuke Obayashi
Shegeo Shiba Shigeru Chiba
Momoko Sakurayama (TV Reporter) Megumi Hayashibara
Weather forecaster (Patlabor movie) .. Megumi Hayashibara
Miyuki Kasima (OAV #14) Aya Hisakawa

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

Due to global warming, the Babylon Project is initiated to seal off Tokyo Bay, and create more real estate. New industrial machines called 'labors' were developed for the Project. Labors vary, but most fit the "giant robot" mold. Being so versatile, labors were also used for crime, so the Patrol Labor (PatLabor)

was developed. This is the story of a police unit which uses the patlabor model 'Ingram' -- SVD Section 2.

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: HIGHLY RECOMMENDED

1.74 The Crimson Pig

The Crimson Pig (FILM) Genre: Adventure

alternate title: Kurenai no Buta

Cast:

Porco Russo Shuichiro Moriyama

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

It is the period some time after World War I. Many aviators with nothing to do have turned to air piracy. A 'hero' emerges: The Crimson Pig called Porco Rosso (his name is actually Marco). He fights against the air pirates and saves a lot of ships, though it's for the reward money. After losing in a dogfight, he rebuilds his plane for another round and meets a feisty girl who is an aspiring plane designer. This movie mixes Hayao Miyazaki's love of aviation and talent for adventure stories.

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: HIGHLY RECOMMENDED

1.75 Queen Millennia

Queen Millennia (TV) Genre: Science Fiction

Cast:

Selene Youko Asagami
Lar Els Miryuu Tohru Furuya
Daisuke Yamori Tohru Furuya
Hannibal Shuichi Ikeda
Shinjoo - the new Queen Mami Koyama
<Unnamed character> Shigeru Chiba
Professor Amamori Ichiroo Nagai
Professor Amamori's Computer Toshio Furukawa

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

In the year 1999, a rogue planet is detected heading on a course for Earth. At an observatory, Professor Amamori wonders what to do. Meanwhile, a girl called Yukino Yayoi also ponders what to do about the rogue planet. A teacher by trade, she is working at the observatory for the summer. Unknown to her colleagues, she is also Queen Promethium II who rules the Earth in secret for her people on the rogue planet Lar Metal. Once every 1000 years, Lar Metal makes a pass by Earth and the Queen will be replaced when that happens. However, Yayoi has become fond of her adopted home, and decides to fight against her people to protect them. A series created by Leiji Matsumoto.

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: RECOMMENDED

1.76 Ranma 1/2

Ranma 1/2 (FILM, OAV, OAVs, TV) Genre: Romantic Comedy

Cast:

Ranma Saotome (boy)	.....	Kappei Yamaguchi
Ranma Saotome (girl)	.....	Megumi Hayashibara
Akane Tendou	.....	Noriko Hidaka
Kasumi Tendou	.....	Kikuko Inouye
Nabiki Tendou	.....	Minami Takayama
Shampoo	.....	Rei Sakuma
Ukyou Kuonji	.....	Hiromi Tsuru
Ryouga Hibiki	.....	Kouichi Yamadera
Happosai	.....	Ichiroo Nagai
Tatewaki Kunou	.....	Hiroataka Suzuoki
Kodachi 'Black Rose' Kunou	.....	Saeko Shimazu
Sasuke	.....	Shigeru Chiba
Mikado Sanzenin	.....	Kazuhiko Inouye
Azusa Shiratori	.....	Naoko Matsui
Hikaru Gosunkugi	.....	Issei Futamata
Daisuke	.....	Takendo Koyasu

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

One day, Soun Tendo calls his 3 daughters in and tells them that one of them is going to be iinazuke (fiancee) to Ranma, the son of his best friend. Soun faints when Ranma arrives and turns out to be a *girl*. It soon turns out that Ranma is really a boy, but has a curse where he will turn into a girl when cold water is splashed on him. Hot water returns him to normal. Nabiki & Kasumi immediately elect Akane as the iinazuke because "she hates boys and Ranma is only half a boy". Ranma, for his part, doesn't like Akane because she's violent and "not cute". Akane is miffed at Ranma because he beat her in martial arts (Ranma was a girl then) and shows her feelings by crushing Ranma with a table. A wonderful start to a beautiful relationship :-). A martial arts comedy by Rumiko Takahashi. Note that the 2nd TV season onward is known as "Ranma 1/2 Nettouhen".

US Release by: Viz Video (dubbed and subtitled)

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: RECOMMENDED -- especially the 1st TV season.

Television Episode List

1.77 Riding Bean

Riding Bean (OAV) Genre: Adventure

Cast:

Bean Bandit Hideyuki Tanaka
Larry Naoko Matsui
Semmerling Mami Koyama
Carrie Megumi Hayashibara
Chelsea Chieko Honda

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

If you're in Chicago, and you need a hot driver...get the Bean Bandit. He's the best. It doesn't matter if what you're doing isn't particularly legal...he'll do it if the price is right. In this OAV, Bean Bandit and Larry are framed for kidnapping a little girl. It doesn't help that the little girl ends up in the back of Bean's car...or that the entire Chicago Police Force is after them. An exciting OAV with characters and setting designed by Keniichi Sonoda.

NOTE: "Larry" is more commonly known as "Rally", but the former spelling was confirmed by her creator: Keiichi Sonoda. The confusion arises because Japanese has no "R" or "L" character, so interchanging them is very possible.

US Release by: AnimeEigo (subtitled)

UK Release by: Anime Projects Limited (subtitled)

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: RECOMMENDED

1.78 Robotech

Robotech (TV) Genre: Science Fiction

Cast:

Cast listed in "Robotech: Art 1" -- not listed here

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

Not exactly anime, but this seems to be most people's intro to anime. A combination of 3 anime series ("Macross", "Southern Cross", "Genesis Climber Mospeada") with a linking concept ("Protoculture"), this is a story about 3 wars between humanity and 3 different alien races over possession of Protoculture. For the most part, general plots were retained, though details were changed. As an introduction to anime, this series was fairly well done and self-consistent. Now available on video.

NOTE: "Robotech" changed the original anime series and most fans seem to agree that the originals were better...except for "Southern Cross".

US Release by: Harmony Gold/Streamline Pictures (dubbed)

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: RECOMMENDED -- for those new to anime

1.79 Roots Search

Roots Search (OAV)

Columbia Video, 45 min.

Description (Neil Nadelman):

Story concerns an alien with a God complex invading an isolated research satellite and causing people to re-live their worst nightmares... Which for some reason seems to cause them to explode and get sucked out of airlocks. Weirdest thing about it? Seems to contain references to the Soviet SF film "Solaris".

Animation quality is decent to mediocre. Music is unremarkable. Story's okay if you're into this sort of thing. My biggest problem with it is the ending: Like MD Geist, it seemed to be setting up for a sequel that was never made.

All in all, it's fluffy SF/Splattertainment. Good for rental.

Description (Todd Knarr, todd.knarr@teamhbbs.com):

Generic alien creature (self-proclaimed messenger of God) comes aboard a space station and begins killing everyone aboard by making them relive various 'evil' things they did during their lives. It gets somewhat bloody. At the end, our hero and heroine get condemned to 'Hell' for not being absolutely perfect (in the creature's eyes), and we're left hanging as they walk off to explore.

I wouldn't recommend buying it flat out sight unseen, but as a rental it doesn't cost that much to find out if you like it.

1.80 Rumic World

Rumic World: Fire Tripper (OAV) Genre: Horror

Rumic World: The Supergal (OAV) Genre: Comedy

Rumic World: Laughing Target (OAV) Genre: Horror

One Pound Gospel (OAV) Genre: Romantic Comedy

Ningyo no Mori (alternate title: Mermaid's Forest) (OAV) Genre: Horror

Cast:

Suzuko/Suzu	(Fire Tripper)	.....	Sumi Shimamoto
Zombie Sue	(The Supergal)	.....	Sumi Shimamoto
Azusa Shiga	(Laughing Target)	.....	Hiromi Tsuru
Sister Angela	(One Pound Gospel)	.....	Hiromi Tsuru
Ishida	(One Pound Gospel)	.....	Issei Futamata
Hatanaka Kousaku	(One Pound Gospel)	.....	Tohru Furuya
Angela's friend	(One Pound Gospel)	.....	Michie Tomizawa
Mana	(Ningyo no Mori)	.....	Minami Takayama

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

This is a series of independent stories by Rumiko Takahashi of Urusei Yatsura and Ranma 1/2 fame. Originally, they fell under the "Rumic World" label, but that label seems to have vanished for the more recent releases. All were very well done, and are

recommended for anyone looking for more of Takahashi-sensei's works. Note that only "The Supergal" is a comedy.

Rumic World: Fire Tripper - An explosion sends Suzu back in time to 16th century Japan where she falls in love with a warrior while looking for her lost charge (a little boy).

Rumic World: The Supergal - Always in poverty, Maris has to work a lot of odd jobs - one of which is a Space Police officer. She gets her chance when a rich tycoon's son is kidnapped.

Rumic World: Laughing Target - An iinazuke from a boy's past threatens his present as she tries to possess him (by eliminating his present girlfriend).

One Pound Gospel - This is your average boxing story, or is it? Kousaku is aiming for the title, but his uncontrollable appetite makes it hard to keep him under the weight limit for his class. He receives spiritual (and physical ;-) guidance by the catholic nun Angela. This OAV has it's funny moments, but is not a comedy. (Description by Christian Balzer).

Ningyo no Mori - A legend says that eating mermaid flesh will grant immortality. In reality, most people die horribly, and the rest will mutate into monsters. Only a few are granted true immortality, but Yuuta just wants his humanity back. In "Mermaid Forest", he and Mana are trapped by one who still wants the gift/curse of immortality...

US Release by: US Manga Corps (subtitled)

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: RECOMMENDED

1.81 Pretty Soldier Sailor Moon

Pretty Soldier Sailor Moon (TV, FILM) Genre: Magical Girls

alternate title: Bishoujo Senshi Sailor Moon

Cast:

Sailor Moon	/Usagi Tsukino	.....	Kotono Mitsuishi
Sailor Moon (ep. 44-50)		.....	Kae Araki
Sailor Mercury/Ami Mizuno		.....	Aya Hisakawa
Sailor Mars	/Rei Hino	.....	Michie Tomizawa
Sailor Jupiter/Makoto Kino		.....	Emi Shinohara
Sailor Venus	/Minako Aino	.....	Rika Fukami
Tuxedo Kamen	/Mamoru Chiba	.....	Tohru Furuya
Naru Osaka		.....	Shino Kakinuma
Gurio Umino		.....	Keiichi Namba
Luna		.....	Keiko Han
Queen Beryl		.....	Keiko Han
Zoisite		.....	Keiichi Namba
Artemis		.....	Takado Yasuihiro
Ail/Seijuurou Ginga (Sailor Moon R)	...		Hikaru Midorikawa
Ann/Natsumi Ginga (Sailor Moon R)	.....		Yumi Tohma
Chibi Usa	(Sailor Moon R)	.....	Kae Araki

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

"Tsukino Usagi" (Rabbit of the Moon) is a rather underachieving junior high school girl who gets low test grades, does poorly in

sports, and is often late to class. She's also a very caring individual. When Usagi-chan sees some boys tormenting a black cat, she rescues the cat. The cat reappears later to thank Usagi and introduces herself as Luna. Usagi is frightened at seeing a talking cat, so Luna gives her a pretty broach. With the words "Moon Prism Power-Make Up!", the broach turns her into the superheroine Sailor Moon. Her job is to fight against the youma (demons) who appear to steal human energy. Unfortunately, Sailor Moon is still spectacularly incompetent at fighting youma. Fortunately, the mysterious Tuxedo Kamen appears to save her. Later, the appearance of the other Sailor Senshi (warriors) will help, since they are better at fighting than Sailor Moon is. Luna is also looking for her missing Moon Princess. This is a very funny series which enjoys massive popularity in Japan.

Tidbits:

- All of the Sailor Senshi are 14 year old schoolgirls dressed in short, cute versions of their regular school uniforms.
- Like "Tsukino Usagi", the names of the other Senshi are puns relating to their planet or power (e.g. "Mizuno Ami" is "Ami of the Water"; Sailor Mercury's power is water based).
- The Dark Kingdom villains seem to be named after crystals of various kinds (e.g. Jadeite, Kunzite, Beryl).
- The "Sailor Moon" series ends at episode #46 and is replaced at #47 with "Sailor Moon R" (R = "return" and "romance"). It starts out with 2 aliens, Ail and Ann, who need human energy, similar to the first series. A new plotline has started at #60 with "Chiba Usa" (little Usagi) appearing and demanding the ginzuishou, Usagi's power jewel...

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: RECOMMENDED

1.82 3x3 Eyes

3x3 Eyes (OAVs) Genre: Fantasy

alternate title: Sazan Eyes

Cast:

Pai/Sanjiyan	Megumi Hayashibara
Yakumo Fujii	Kouji Tsujitani
Mama (Part 1)	Masayuki Kishino
Natsuko (Part 2)	Wakana Yamazaki

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

Yakumo Fujii is an ordinary high school student (with an unusual job :-)) until he runs into Pai...literally. Pai appears to be a young (and cute) girl who is a bit lost. Pai is actually a survivor of a mythical race called the Sanjiyan who are all but extinct. In effect, Pai is an immortal 'monster' with 3 eyes who is 300 years old. Yakumo's first encounter with Pai leads to his death, upon which he is resurrected as her 'Wu', an immortal and indestructible servant of a Sanjiyan. He joins her in her quest to become human.

US Release by: Streamline Pictures (dubbed)

UK Release by: Island World Communications (dubbed)

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: RECOMMENDED

1.83 Supernatural Beast City

Supernatural Beast City (FILM) Genre: Horror

alternate titles: Wicked City, Yoju Toshi

Anime Pocket Guide Description: (by Tom Jewell)

The premise as given by Taki, the main character:

"Throughout human history, relations between our human world and the other world, the world of demons, has gone a long way. Both worlds sought interaction, cooperation, and coexistence. But many cruel wars were repeated over and over again. Finally, representatives from both worlds signed a treaty. It was a kind of non-aggression treaty. Every several hundred years, there was a set armistice period. Now we are approaching the 21st century. Both worlds are on to sign another [500 year] peace treaty."

To handle crimes committed by either side, the Yami (Dark) Guard is formed as an elite police force. The Guard is made up of men and women of both races - human and demon. The story centers on Renzaburo Taki, a human male and member of the Yami Guard. He is teamed with Maki, a beautiful female demon. Their assignment is to guard Giuseppi Maiyart, a wizened old (lusty) man who must be present at the treaty signing. Unknown to Taki and Maki, a secret plot revolves around the two of them.

Anime Pocket Guide Editor's Note: Despite the numerous sexual situations & graphic violence, this is really a love story of unexpected power. The sex doesn't take over the story as in "Wandering Kid"...

US Release by: Streamline (dubbed as "Wicked City")

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: RECOMMENDED

1.84 Silent Mobius

Silent Mobius (FILM) Genre: Science Fiction

Cast:

Katsumi Liqueur	Naoko Matsui
Kiddy Phenyl	Hiromi Tsuru
Nami Yamigumo	Chieko Honda
Rally Cheyenne	Yoshiko Fujita
Fukyukawa Liqueur	Shohko Ikeda

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

"Lucifer Hawk" demons are starting to reappear on Earth after

having been banished long ago. In Japan, a new police team has been formed to combat this threat...composed entirely of women. Each woman on the team has her own set of powers and specialties. The 1st movie shows us (via flashback) how Katsumi Liqueor joins the Attacked Mystification Police (AMP) force. The 2nd movie continues Katsumi's story as she resists joining AMP while still being chased by demons. She meets Yuki, a young girl prone to procognitive flashes with a secret history.

US Release by: Streamline Pictures (dubbed)

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: RECOMMENDED

1.85 Sol Bianca

Sol Bianca (OAVs) Genre: Science Fiction

Cast:

Jany Minami Takayama
April Rei Sakuma
Yuhri Shuichi Ikeda
<Unknown character> Yuriko Fuchizaki

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

In an undetermined future, a graceful pirate ship plys the spaceways. Pity the poor freighter that the Sol Bianca raids. There is little chance that the cargo will be saved. The Sol Bianca is "manned" by 5 girls of varying ages...all named after months of the year. The first OAV carried the Sol Bianca to a planet named Tres...where, in the pursuit of treasure, they acquire a stowaway, and free Tres from its tyrannical leader. In the 2nd OAV, the girls fall into a trap set for them by a mysterious man who knows a lot about them.

US Release by: A.D. Vision (subtitled)

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: RECOMMENDED - the 2nd OAV wasn't that good, though

1.86 Spirit of Wonder: Miss China's Melancholy

Spirit of Wonder: Miss China's Melancholy (OAV) Genre: Fantasy

alternate title: Spirit of Wonder: China-san no yuu-utsu

Anime Pocket Guide Description: (by Enrique Conty)

The easiest way to describe it would be: "What if H.G. Wells wrote a romance story?". In a small port town in Victorian England, Miss China is the owner of the popular Tenkai restaurant. Her lodger, one Dr. Breckenridge, has been working on "alternative" methods to get to the moon. Breckenridge's assistant, Jim, is in love with Miss China, and eventually presents her with a very special gift...

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: RECOMMENDED

1.87 Take the X Train

Take the X Train (OAV)

Director: Rin Taro

From: Walter M. Amos (amos@ccwf.cc.utexas.edu)

The plot is about a Japanese punk type kid in a strange and semi-surreal big city (maybe Tokyo). The art looks like Otomo on acid. Basically this kid begins to be followed around by a phantom train, first we see electric bolts on the tracks, then gradually ghostly images of an engine as the film progresses. Also some bad guys are after him and/or the train (I forget which and why). Eventually he confronts the train, gets run over by it, and sort of merges with it, and destroys the baddies.

The most memorable scene (to me) occurred early on when the kid is making it with his girlfriend. Each time he thrusts, a nebulous female voice says "sex". As this progresses and he goes faster, we hear "sex...sex...sex-sex-sex", reminding one of the "choo...choo..choo-choo-choo" as a train gradually chugs out of the station and gains speed. Quite amusing, stylistically.

1.88 No Need for Tenchi

No Need for Tenchi (OAVs) Genre: Comedy

alternate title: Tenchi Muiyou, Ryo-Oh-Ki

Cast:

Tenchi Masaki	Masami Kikuchi
Ryouko	Ai Orikasa
Princess Aeka	Yumi Takada
Princess Sasami	Chisa Yokoyama

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

After tricking his grandfather, Tenchi gets the keys to an old shrine. Family legend says that a hero defeated a horrific demon long ago, and the demon was imprisoned here. The hero's sword was placed next to the demon to guard it. Tenchi finds the old sword...and a mummy. Since Tenchi broke the seals, the mummy rises. Frantically, Tenchi tries to reseal the shrine and escapes. Later, Tenchi is back at school. He is startled by a girl who appears out of nowhere. This is Ryouko, space pirate, former mummy, and a VERY annoyed demon. She decides to kill Tenchi, 'cause she has to take it out on *someone*. Tenchi escapes from the destroyed school...to find that Ryouko has decided to move in with him. Things get REALLY interesting when

Aeka, Princess of the Jurai, comes to Earth looking for her brother...the long-dead hero who sealed Ryouko up the first time. This is a very funny, fast-moving action comedy with lots of unique elements...including spaceships grown from trees and a pirate ship that becomes a cute bunny...

NOTE: The title might also be translated as "This Side Up, Tenchi" and, in fact, is carried that way at Nikaku. This is because the kanji used can be interpreted more than one way...

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: HIGHLY RECOMMENDED

1.89 My Neighbor Totoro

My Neighbor Totoro (FILM) Genre: Drama

alternate title: Tonari no Totoro

Cast:

Satsuki Noriko Hidaka
Satsuki & Mei's mother Sumi Shimamoto

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

Moving out to the countryside, Satsuki and Mei (along with their father) settle in a new house in a farming community. Their mother is in a hospital, and is suppose to join them soon. Mei is the first to encounter a magical creature who she names "Totoro". After Satsuki meets Totoro, their lives fill up with the magic that nature and Totoro provides. A heartwarming film from Hayao Miyazaki.

US Release by: 50th Street Films/Troma (dubbed)

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: HIGHLY RECOMMENDED

1.90 The Transformers

The Transformers (TV, FILM) Genre: Giant Robots

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

On the planet Cybertron, the 'life forms' are robots that are able to transform into other machinery. There was a war between 2 factions, and the Decepticons won. The Autobots retreated to the planet Earth, led by Optimus Prime. As the name implies, Autobots can transform into motor vehicles with Prime becoming a 18-wheel truck. The Decepticons pursued the Autobots to Earth led by Megatron, who transforms into a gun. Most of the other Deceptacons transform into jets. The war continues on Earth. The "Transformers Movie" ends this war with the Autobots winning, but having to face a planet-eating robot called Omicron Theta... (This, of course, generates many toys for Hasbro to sell... :-))

Note: Despite the giant robots, this is an American creation and

production. The concept proved popular in Japan, however, and a new anime Transformers series ran there with original stories, using Japanese writers and voice actors...

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: RECOMMENDED - little anime connection, though

1.91 Irresponsible Captain Tyler

Irresponsible Captain Tyler (TV) Genre: Comedy

alternate title: Musekinin Kanchou Tyler

Cast:

Justy Ueki Tyler	Kouji Tsujitani
Yuriko Star	Yuri Amano
Yamamoto	Shoo Hayami
Azarin	Hiroko Kasahara
Dom	Toshihiko Seki
Mifune	Mugihito
Fuji	Tomomichi Nishimura
Kyung-Hwa Kim	Kotono Mitsuishi
Katori	Ken Narita
Kitaguchi	Jouji Yanami
Harumi	Maya Okamoto
Yumi & Emi Hanami	Mika Kanai

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

This series is set in the far future. Justy Tyler is wandering the streets when his eye catches a recruiting ad (on a very LARGE TV screen). Actually, his eye is caught by the girl in the commercial. He signs up immediately. During his screening/training/testing, he manages to seduce the main computer at the HQ...completely disrupting operations during an invasion, and stops an alien-induced hostage situation...neither the criminals nor the hostages knew what to make of him. Now, he's been given *command* of his own space battleship...an antique. His crew is a collection of misfits, including 3 of the aforementioned hostages: Yuriko and his twin aides Yumi & Emi. Also Yamamoto, the officer in charge of the hostage drama...before Tyler walked in. This series would be utterly chaotic if it wasn't so funny.

Note: In both the spoken and katakana forms, his name is "Tyler" or "TAIRA". In the eyecatch, his name is "Tailor" written in English. Make whatever you want out of this... :-)

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: RECOMMENDED

1.92 I Can Hear the Sea

I Can Hear the Sea (TV) Genre: Drama

alternate title: Umi Ga Kikoeru

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

Taku Morisaki is a college student on his way back to a high school reunion. On the plane flight back, he remembers events from his high school days. He remembers getting a glimpse of a new girl with his friend Matsuno. Later, Matsuno introduces his new girlfriend to Morisaki. Her name is Rikako Muto. She is very good in sports and academically, but is a social outsider since she is a transfer student. In their last year in school, the class takes a trip to Hawaii. When Rikako's money is stolen, it is to Morisaki that she asks to help her. This doesn't go unnoticed by Matsuno, and cracks begin to appear in their friendship. This is a very real look at relationships, and how a single act may change them forever. Did a romantic triangle form? It's hard to tell. This TV movie compares well with better live-action dramas and outshines most anime.

NOTE: This is Studio Ghibli's first solo attempt by the "younger generation" of the company. Miyazaki-sensei was not involved.

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: HIGHLY RECOMMENDED

1.93 Wandering Kid

Wandering Kid (OAVs, FILM) Genre: Miscellaneous

alternate titles: Legend of the Overfiend, Urotsukidoji

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

The universe consists of 3 realms: the Human World, the Beast World, and the Demon World. Every 3000 years, the "Chojin" (which is essentially a super-God of sorts) is born to unite the 3 worlds together. This series follows the journey of a boy from the Beast World named AmanoJaku as he searches for the "Chojin". He settles on a human boy and girl (Nakumo and Akemi) who seem to be the key. Events unfold rapidly as demons also appear, looking for the "Chojin". The film is an edited compilation of the 1st OAV series. There is a 2nd OAV series which is a prequel of sorts. There are many scenes involving violent rapes, dismemberment, demon-induced gore, supernatural horror stuff, etc...

NOTE: This series' prime focus seems to be on the graphic sex and violent scenes which permeates the series. In all fairness, there *is* a rather complex plotline running through this, but in the end, the plot is only an excuse to show more sex and violence.

US Release by: US Manga Corps (dubbed)

UK Release by: Manga Video (dubbed)

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: NOT RECOMMENDED

1.94 Urusei Yatsura

Urusei Yatsura (FILM, OAV, TV) Genre: Romantic Comedy

Cast:

Lum	Fumi Hirano
Ataru Moroboshi	Toshio Furukawa
Shinobu Miyake	Saeko Shimazu
Shutaro Mendo	Akira Kamiya
Ryoko Mendo	Mami Koyama
Ryunosuke Fujinami	Mayumi Tanaka
Benten	Yuhko Mita
Oyuki	Noriko Ohara
Ran	You Inouye
Megane	Shigeru Chiba
Chibi	Issei Futamata
Cherry	Ichiroo Nagai
Onsen-mark	Michihiro Ikemizu
Tsubame Ozuno	Kazuhiko Inouye
Asuka Mizunokouji	Sumi Shimamoto
Ten's Mother	Sumi Shimamoto
Elle Barakumi (UY1: Only You)	Yoshiko Sakakibara
Rara (UY3: Remember my Love)	Sumi Shimamoto
Karla (UY5: Boy meets Girl)	You Inouye

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

One day, an alien fleet appeared and was going to invade the Earth. Earth had only once chance: if a randomly selected Earth-man defeated an alien in a game of tag, then Earth would be spared. The computers picked a high school lech named Ataru Moroboshi. When Ataru found out, he hid behind his girlfriend Shinobu...until he saw his opponent: a cute girl in a tiger-striped bikini named Lum. All he has to do is grab Lum's horns before 10 days are up. The horny Ataru was *very* willing to do just that :-). On the first day, Ataru dashed toward Lum...who flew off. Ataru screamed that nobody told him that Lum could *fly*! Day after day, Ataru kept trying and failing. On the last night, Shinobu said that she'd marry Ataru if he won. The next day, Ataru cheated...and won the match. *Then* he said he would now be married. Baaaad timing...Lum took it to mean that he wanted to marry *her*. Now, the girl-chasing Ataru has a devoted and loving 'wife' who will fry him if he even looks at another girl. Oh, didn't I mention Lum's electric shock power? A romantic comedy created by the talented Rumiko Takahashi.

US Release by: AnimEigo (subtitled)

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: HIGHLY RECOMMENDED

Television Episode List

1.95 Video Girl Ai

Video Girl Ai (OAVs) Genre: Romantic Comedy

alternate title: Denei Shoujo Ai

Cast:

Video Girl Ai (Amano) Megumi Hayashibara
Yohta Moteuchi Takeshi Kusao
Moemi Hayakawa Yuri Amano

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

One day, Yohta is walking home. He's just been told that the girl he likes (Moemi) likes someone else. Trying to cheer up, he rents an 'explicit' video tape from a wierd rental shop, and when he plays it, Video Girl Ai pops out of his screen to comfort him. Unfortunately, Yohta's VCR is on the blink, and Ai appears minus a large part of her bosom, and with a new and dangerous mischievous personality...

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: RECOMMENDED

1.96 Vampire Hunter D

Vampire Hunter D (FILM) Genre: Horror

Cast:

'D' Kaneto Shiozawa
Doris Michie Tomizawa

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

In the far future, enclaves of humans are trying to hold out against supernatural forces. In one such village, a girl named Doris is bitten by an ancient vampire. In seeking help, she encounters a mysterious Vampire Hunter named 'D'. Before being taken by Count Lee (the vampire), Doris is ostracized by the village. It is up to 'D' to save her. A very moody and dark film.

US Release by: Streamline Pictures (dubbed)

UK Release by: Island World Communications (dubbed)

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: RECOMMENDED

1.97 Vampire Princess Miyu

Vampire Princess Miyu (OAVs) Genre: Horror

alternate title: Kyuuketsu Hime Miyu

Cast:

Miyu Naoko Watanabe
Himiko Se Mami Koyama
Narrator Goroo Naya
Larva Kaneto Shiozawa

Akiko Yumi Takada
Kei Yuzuki Ryo Horikawa
Doctor Tessho Genda
Armored Shinma Tessho Genda
Miyu's mother Masako Ikeda

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

In the shadows lurk the shinma (spirit-demons). For humans, it is dangerous to interact with the shinma. As Himiko, a human spiritualist finds out, there is another force moving quietly banishing the shinma...a vampire girl called Miyu. Along with her servant/friend Larva, Miyu acts against the shinma which is troubling humanity...but she doesn't act FOR humans. Her motives are as mysterious as she is herself. This is a quietly spooky series that gets more disturbing, the more you think about it.

US Release by: AnimeEigo (subtitled)

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: HIGHLY RECOMMENDED

1.98 Wings of Honneamise

Wings of Honneamise (FILM) Genre: Drama

alternate title: Royal Space Force

Cast:

Shirotsugh Lhadatto Leo Morimoto
Leiquinni Nondelaiko Mitsuki Yayoi

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

In an alternate world, Shirotsugh Lhadatto dreams of becoming a pilot...but his grades weren't good enough, so he became a member of the Royal Space Force instead. The Space Force is led by a General whose dream is to put the first man into space. The Space Force, however, is a laughing stock and a career dead end, so its members aren't exactly the cream of the crop. After an encounter with Leiquinni Nondelaiko, a very religious girl, Shiro is inspired to volunteer to be the first astronaut. The movie details the growth of Shiro's character, as well as the trials - both political and technical - which culminate in the launch of the first manned rocket. I can't really do justice to this movie in a short description, but it's very good. A dubbed version exists called "Star Quest"...avoid it.

US Release by: L.A. Hero (dubbed, not "Star Quest")

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: HIGHLY RECOMMENDED

1.99 Yadamon

Yadamon (TV) Genre: Kids

Cast:

Yadamon	Mika Kanai
Taimon	Rin Mizuhara
Jan	Rie Iwatsubo
Eddie	Issei Futamata
Maria	Mami Suzuki
Han-na	Kyouko Minami
Rick	Takumi Yamazaki
Peat	Mioko Kohie
Butch	Masahiro Anzai
Enriko	Kaneto Shiozawa
Manaty	Kineko Nakamura

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

Yadamon is a little witch who lives with Jan and his parents. They live in a future time where many things are automated (in a simplistic sort of way...automatic vacuum cleaners, for example). Maria, Jan's mother, is a biologist and spends her time performing experiments. Yadamon is an inquisitive girl who frequently gets Jan in trouble with what she does. Along with Yadamon is Taimon, a little critter (who talks!) and can stop time briefly. The series consists of 10 minute episodes, and plots follow the simple "kids in mischief" line. Purely for little kids.
Note: "Yadamon" is also a cute way for little girls to say "no"..

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: RECOMMENDED (adults may find it dull, though)

1.100 Space Cruiser Yamato

Space Cruiser Yamato (FILM, TV) Genre: Science Fiction

alternate title: Uchuu Senkan Yamato

Cast:

Yuki Mori	Youko Asagami
Juuzo Okida	Goroo Naya
Kato	Akira Kamiya

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

When the Earth is in trouble from invading alien forces, it resurrects and rebuilds a new space warship from the hulk of the old Japanese sea battleship: the Yamato. The various missions boil down to the same thing: defend the Earth and destroy the enemy forces.

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: RECOMMENDED

1.101 Yawara! A fashionable judo girl

Yawara! A fashionable judo girl (FILM, TV) Genre: Sports Drama

Cast:

Yawara Inokuma Yuko Minaguchi
Jigoro Inokuma Ichiroo Nagai
Sayaka Yoshino Takamori
Kousaku Matsuda Toshihiko Seki
Shinnosuke Kazamatsuri Akira Kamiya
Fujiko Itou Chiyoko Kawashima
Kaoru Hanazono Masashi Sugahara
Takeyuki Suzuki (Yawara! movie) Megumi Hayashibara

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

One of the most talented and promising young contenders in the world of judo is a girl called Yawara Inokuma. With her native talent and quickness, she could fight just about anyone. With intensive training given by her grandfather (a judo champion in his own right), Yawara is unbeatable. It's the desire of many in the judo world to meet and beat Yawara. Yawara, on the other hand, would prefer to give up judo and become an ordinary girl.

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: HIGHLY RECOMMENDED

Episode List

1.102 Idol Angel Yohkoso Yohko

Idol Angel Yohkoso Yohko (TV) Genre: Miscellaneous

alternate title: Idol Tenshi Yohkoso Yohko

Cast:

Yohko Tanaka Mika Kanai
Saki Yamamori Megumi Hayashibara
Muu Katsumi Suzuki
Hideki Yamashita Hirotaka Suzuoki
Kyou Hayami Toshihiko Seki
Chougorou Shibuya Tomomichi Nishimura
Kyouko Hoshihana Yuko Mizutani
Toshio Harada Shin-ya Ootaki
Tokudaiji Kenyuu Horiuchi

Anime Pocket Guide Description: (by Chris Swett)

This is a 40-episode shojo (girl's) anime series about two young girls who try to become idol singers in Shibuya. Yohko is intensely upbeat and talented but has a mysterious past that she won't talk about. She meets the second girl, Saki, on the Shinkansen (bullet train) when she's on her way to Tokyo. They team up in their assault on the showbiz industry. Yohko also has a pet flying squirrel named Muu. His primary role is:

- 1) cause Yohko to meet all kinds of strange Shibuya residents
- 2) fetch a mirror-ball prop whenever Yohko looks like she's going to break into song.

This series has at least one song per episode and could be

classed as a musical. There is also an extremely *cheerful* air to it. Note that Yohko's origin is never explained and in fact, the last episode shows her unchanged on TV 50 years from now...

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: RECOMMENDED

1.103 Yotoden

Yotoden (OAVs) Genre: Adventure

Cast:

Sakon Hayate Kazuhiko Inouye
Ranmaru Mori Kaneto Shiozawa

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

A giant demon destroys a ninja village. The only 2 people left are a girl, Ayame, and her brother. He gives her a dagger, the sacred weapon of their clan, and turns back to fight against the demon. Only Ayame is left. In ninja tradition, she vows to take revenge on those responsible. Later, a group of thieves attack a lone figure. They find that killing this stranger is not easy, and Sakon, their leader takes the stranger on. During the fight, Sakon and Ayanosuke (she had masculinized her name) find that their blades have an affinity with each other. Demons kill the thieves and are destroyed, in turn, by a priest. He sends them in the direction of Ryoma who has a pike made of the same meteor metal as the other 2 weapons. In this way, the old prophecy is coming true...the 3 mystic weapons working together under the flaming star (a comet) will vanquish evil. The evil, in this case is the demon-possessed Lord Nobunaga. This series is set up like an historical drama with intrigue and confrontations in historical Japan...with some magic and demons added. Note that Nobunaga is a real figure in Japanese history and tried to unite Japan under himself. He was the first to use Western weapons as opposed to the more 'honorable' weapons. This series is also noted for its realistic human animation.

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: RECOMMENDED

1.104 Hades Project Zeorymer

Hades Project Zeorymer (OAVs) Genre: Giant Robots

alternate title: Mei Ou Project Zeorymer

Cast:

Miku Himuro Chieko Honda
Saiga Kaneto Shiozawa

Anime Pocket Guide Description:

A young man named Akitsu Masato is 'captured' by a secret govt. project known as "Last Guardian". He is told that his life as

a normal student was all a lie, and that his real destiny is to be the pilot of a great robot called "Zeorymer of the Heavens". The truth of this is hammered in when Masato sees his 'parents' accept payment for raising him. The Last Guardian is preparing for the resurrection of "Hau Dragon", an organization bent on world conquest. 15 years ago, Hau Dragon built 8 great robots. Each of the mecha represents a force of nature. However, before any of the robots could be used, their creator Kihara Masaki destroyed the robots except for the leader: Zeorymer. He took Zeorymer and an embryo to the government. The embryo became the boy Masato. Now, Hau Dragon has rebuilt the other 7 mecha and wants the 8th. It will be up to Masato and Himuro to pilot Zeorymer and fight against the Hau Dragon...but neither Masato or Himuro are all that they seem...

Anime Pocket Guide Rating: RECOMMENDED

1.105 Kimagure Orange Road Television Episodes

From: Hitoshi Doi

Here is an episode guide for the Kimagure Orange Road TV series.
(I hope I read all the kanji correctly)

	date	episode title
1	87.04.06	Tenkousei! Hazukashinagara hatsukoi shimasu
2	87.04.13	Ano musumeni choppiri lemon no kiss wo
3	87.04.20	Kibunha yurete rolling hatsu date
4	87.04.27	Hikaru-chan!? Osawagase no C taiken
5	87.05.04	Futari no himitsu tomadoi arbeit
6	87.05.11	Aitsuha rival koino chuukanshiken
7	87.05.18	Madoka no shiseikatsu!? Kuchizuke spark iro
8	87.05.25	Kimiha egao! Nagisa no shutter chance
9	87.06.01	Kurumi-chan date no shikata oshiemasu
10	87.06.08	Yochimu!? Hikaru-chan ga shinjou
11	87.06.15	Narasanaide wedding bell
12	87.06.22	America ryuugaku! Sayonara Madoka
13	87.06.29	Shisen shuuchuu! Hikaru-chan! Daihenshin
14	87.07.06	Yochimu! Madoka ha nanjakuotoko ga okirai
15	87.07.13	Madoka no kesshin! Sankakukankei ni period
16	87.07.20	Shinjiru shinjinai UFO wo mita Madoka
17	87.07.27	Natsu no yuuwaku ikinari double date
18	87.08.03	Madoka chousen! ????? [can't read]
19	87.08.10	Futari no taiken kinjirareta koinoshima
20	87.08.17	Hikaru mokuageki! Gasshuku ha kikenga ippai
21	87.08.24	Kyosuke pinch! Arashi ga oka no amai sasayaki
22	87.08.31	Otonano kankei! Madoka himitsu no asagaeri
23	87.09.07	Kyosuke Madoka daigenka! Koino ninninsankyaku
24	87.09.14	Kazuya toujou! Panic kid ni goyoujin
25	87.09.21	Abunai jikoanji! Kyosuke-kun henshinsu
26	87.09.28	Kodomoni natta Kyosuke! Madoka ni sekkin
27	87.10.05	Nerawareta Madoka! Kyosuke otokono shoumei
28	87.10.12	Kikenna kesshin! Manami-chan no daibouken
29	87.10.19	Nakuna Jingoro aito seishun no hatsujouki

30 87.10.26 Kinoha monogatari! Kurumi no hatsukoi jigokuhen
31 87.11.02 Madoka to Yusaku! Seishun kakeochi koushinkyoku
32 87.11.09 Tanjoubi ha nidokuru!? Tokino kakeru Kyosuke
33 87.11.16 Ayashino Madoka! Kinoko de honne 120%
34 87.11.23 Roots panic fushigino hoshi no Madoka
35 87.11.30 Camera de H! Robot Kyo-chan
36 87.12.07 Saraba Kyosuke video ni utsutta chounouryoku
37 87.12.14 Orange ninkyouden! Madoka fubuki no taiketsu
38 87.12.21 Kyosuke jikanryokou! 3 do me no Christmas
39 88.01.04 Madoka ni saiminjitsu! Kyosuke abunai shougatsu
40 88.01.11 Hatsuyumedayo! Daikaijuu Jingoro no gyakushuu
41 88.01.18 Ugokenai Madoka! Kyosuke no fushigidokei
42 88.01.25 Motemote no Madoka! Kyosuke tsuini kokuhaku
43 88.02.01 Shoushin no Hikaru! Oikakete fuyukaigan
44 88.02.08 Koino oaji? Kyosuke jigoku no valentine
45 88.02.15 Hikaru shisu soshite daremo inaku natta
46 88.02.22 Hakugin no ichiya! Futaribocchi de gondola
47 88.02.29 Sayonara no yokan Madoka no hatsukoi wo sagase
48 88.03.07 Koi tsukamaeta soshite da carpo

1.106 Nadia TV Episodes

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Fushigi no Umi no Nadia/Nadia of the Mysterious Seas
A.k.a. The Secret of Blue Water

Episode List

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Episode #2 "Little Runaways"
Episode #3 "The Mystery of the Sea Monsters"
Episode #4 "The All-purpose Submarine, Nautilus"
Episode #5 "Marie's Island"
Episode #6 "The Fortress on the Solitary Island"
Episode #7 "The Tower of Babel"
Episode #8 "Nadia's Rescue"
Episode #9 "Nemo's Secret"
Episode #10 "Gratan in Action"
Episode #11 "A New Student on the Nautilus"
Episode #12 "Grandis' First Love"
Episode #13 "Run, Marie, Run!"
Episode #14 "The Valley of Dinictus"
Episode #15 "Nautilus' Biggest Crisis"
Episode #16 "The Mystery of the Island that Vanished"
Episode #17 "Jean's New Invention"
Episode #18 "Nautilus vs. Nautilus"
Episode #19 "Nemo's Close Friend"
Episode #20 "Jean's Failure"
Episode #21 "Goodbye Nautilus"
Episode #22 "Electra's Betrayal"
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Episode #24 "Lincoln Island"

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 Episode #26 "King's on his Own"
 Episode #27 "Island of the Witch"
 Episode #28 "The Floating Island"
 Episode #29 "King vs. King"
 Episode #30 "The Underground Labyrinth"
 Episode #31 "Goodbye Red Noah"
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 Episode #33 "A Rescue Operation for King"
 Episode #34 "Love to Nadia"
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 Episode #37 "Emperor Neo"
 Episode #38 "...To Space"
 Episode #39 "Inheritor of the Stars"

1.107 Ranma 1/2 TV Episodes

Here is the Ranma 1/2 Episode Guide compiled by Steve Tachi of Rutgers Anime:

ep.	date	credits	manga	title
1	89.04.15	OP1 ED1	1.1-1.2	Chuugoku kara kita aitsu! Chotto hen!!
2	89.04.22	OP1 ED1	1.3-1.4	Asobi ja nai no yo gakkou ha
3	89.04.29	OP1 ED1	1.4-1.5	Ikinari ai no arashi Chotto matte yo
4	89.05.06	OP1 ED1	1.6-1.7	Ranma to Ranma? Gokai ga tomaranai
5	89.05.13	OP1 ED1	1.7-1.8	Hone made aishite?
				Akane no koi no fukuzatsu kossetsu
6	89.05.20	OP1 ED1	2.1	Akane no shitsuren Datte shouganai ja nai
7	89.05.27	OP1 ED1	2.2-2.3	Toujou! Eien no mayoigo - Ryouga
8	89.06.03	OP1 ED1	2.3-2.5	Gakkou wa senjou da! Taiketsu Ranma vs. Ryouga
9	89.06.17	OP1 ED1	2.5-2.7	Otome hakusho - Kami wa onna no inochi na no
10	89.07.01	OP1 ED1	2.8	Pi- Pi- P-chan rokuna mon ja nee
11	89.07.15	OP1 ED2	2.9-3.1	Ranma wo gekiai! Shintaisou no sukeban toujou
12	89.07.22	OP1 ED2	3.2-3.3	Onna no koi wa sensou yo!
				Kakutou shintaisou de iza shoubu
13	89.07.29	OP1 ED2	3.4-3.5	Sukeban no me ni namida?
				Rule muyou-no kakutou shintaisou ketchaku
14	89.08.19	OP1 ED3		Kotsuban uranai! Ranma wa Nihon ichi no oyome-san
15	89.08.26	OP1 ED3	4.5-4.6	Gekiretsu shoujo Shampoo toujou!
				Watashi inochi azukemasu
16	89.09.02	OP1 ED3	4.7-4.8	Shampoo no hangeki
				Hissatsu shiatsuken wa mi mo kokoro mo ubau
17	89.09.09	OP1 ED3	4.9-4.10	Ranma daisuki! Sayonara wa iwanaide!!
18	89.09.16	OP1 ED3		Ore wa otoko da! Ranma chuugoku e kaeru?

opening/ending music and animation

OP1	Jajauma ni sasenaide		(Nishio Etsuko)
ED1	Platonic tsuranuite	[scrolling scrim]	(Sakagami Kaori)
ED2	Platonic tsuranuite	[billboard]	(Sakagami Kaori)
ED3	Equal Romance		(CoCo)

Ranma 1/2 Nettouhen

ep.	date	credits	manga/tojo	title
1	89.10.20	OP1 ED1	{7.1-7.4}	Gekitotsu! Demae kakutou race
2	89.11.03	OP1 ED1	(5.1-5.4)	Yappari neko ga kirai?
3	89.11.10	OP1 ED1	(5.5-5.7)	Watashi ga Joketsuzoku no obaba!
4	89.11.17	OP1 ED1	(5.10-5.11)	Deta! Hissatsu tenshin amaguriken!!
5	89.11.24	OP1 ED1	(5.7-5.9)	Hakuchou-gen no otoko Mousse toujou!
6	89.12.01	OP1 ED1	(6.1-6.3)	Bakusou! Yukidaruma hakobi race
7	89.12.08	OP2 ED1	3.6-3.7	Sarawareta P-chan!
8	89.12.15	OP2 ED1	3.8-3.9	Kiki-ippatsu! Shiryou no bonodori
9	89.12.22	OP2 ED1	(4.1-4.4)	P-chan bakuhatsu! Ai no mizubashira
10	90.01.12	OP2 ED1	6.4-6.5	Ranma kyoufu no yama gomori
11	90.01.19	OP2 ED1	6.6-6.8	Bakusaitenketsu to ha? Ryouga daigyakushuu
12	90.01.26	OP2 ED1	<8.1-8.4>	Ayaushi! Tendou doujou
13	90.02.02	OP2 ED1	10.4-10.5	Sarawareta Akane!
14	90.02.09	OP1 ED1	10.6-10.8	Taiketsu Mousse! Makeru ga kachi
15	90.02.16	OP1 ED1	7.5-7.6	Kyuukyoku no ero youkai Happousai
16	90.02.23	OP1 ED1	8.9-8.11	Joshi kouishitsu wo osoe?
17	90.03.02	OP1 ED1		Oni mo nigedasu karakuri yashiki
18	90.03.09	OP1 ED1		Kore de onna to osaraba?
19	90.03.16	OP1 ED1	9.1-9.4	Ai to nikushimi no okurimono
20	90.03.23	OP1 ED1	7.9-7.11	SOS ero youkai Happousai
21	90.04.06	OP1 ED1	8.5-8.8	Akane no kuchibiru wo ubae
22	90.04.13	OP1 ED1	7.7	Ii yu da na? Sentou de sentou
23	90.04.20	OP1 ED1	9.5-9.7	Mata hitori Ranma wo aishita yatsu
24	90.04.27	OP3 ED2	9.8-9.11	Netsuai? Ryouga to Akane
25	90.05.04	OP3 ED2	11.7-11.8	Kushami ippatsu aishite night
26	90.05.11	OP3 ED2	11.4-11.6	Maboroshi no Happodaikarin wo sagase
27	90.05.18	OP3 ED2	10.9-10.11	Daisuki! Watashi no Utchan
28	90.05.25	OP3 ED2		Majo ga aishita shitagi dorobo
29	90.06.01	OP3 ED2	11.9-11.11	Henshin! Mukimuki-man Akane
30	90.06.08	OP3 ED2		Jusenkyou kara kita koroshiya
31	90.06.15	OP3 ED2		Watashi kirei? Ranma onna sengen
32	90.06.22	OP3 ED2		Taiketsu! Happousai vs. toumeiningen
33	90.06.29	OP3 ED2		Kunou-ke no les miserables
34	90.07.06	OP3 ED2		Kaidan! Ranma to mashou no ken
35	90.07.13	OP3 ED2	10.1-10.3	Hitotsubu korori - Zetsurin horegusuri
36	90.07.20	OP3 ED2		Shijou saikyou? Ryouga to Mousse doumei
37	90.07.27	OP3 ED2	{10.1}	Back to the Happousai
38	90.08.03	OP3 ED2		Kuro bara no Kodachi! Jun'ai itchokusen
39	90.08.10	OP3 ED3		Happousai saigo no hi?
40	90.08.17	OP3 ED3		Abarenbou musume Linlin Ranran
41	90.08.24	OP3 ED3		Ranma wo osou kyoufu no tatari
42	90.08.31	OP3 ED3		Toujou! Monomane kakutougi
43	90.09.07	OP3 ED3	<12.7-12.11>	Ryouga no taishitsu kaizen sekken!
44	90.09.14	OP3 ED3		Kakutou! Shougaibutsu race
45	90.09.21	OP3 ED3		Ranma, tsuini Jusenkyou e iku
46	90.09.28	OP4 ED3	[12.1-12.5]	Kaettekita hentai kouchou
47	90.10.12	OP4 ED3		Toujou! Shijou saikyou ni Kunou
48	90.10.19	OP4 ED3	13.1-13.3	Ranma ga yowaku natchatta!
49	90.10.26	OP4 ED3	13.4-13.7	Kansei! Tondemonai hissatsuwaza
50	90.11.02	OP4 ED3	13.8-14.1	Kessen! Ranma fukkatsu naru ka?
51	90.11.09	OP4 ED3		Ukyou no skirt daisakusen!
52	90.11.16	OP4 ED3		Ranma no mama ga yattekita!
53	90.11.23	OP4 ED3		Ryouga, ai to kunou wo koete
54	90.11.30	OP4 ED3	14.2-14.3	Fiance wa bake-neko
55	90.12.07	OP4 ED4		Fukeyo kaze! Seishun wa nekketsu da

56	90.12.14	OP4	ED4		Osorubeki shindeshi arawaru
57	90.12.21	OP4	ED4	14.6	Omote ni deyagare!
58	91.01.11	OP4	ED4	(7.8)	Ryougga no Tendou doujou isourou nikki
59	91.01.18	OP4	ED4		Happousai no koi!
60	91.01.25	OP4	ED4		Kunou boozen! Koi no daiyogen
61	91.02.01	OP4	ED4	14.7-14.8	Tsuyoku narisugita Ryougga
62	91.02.08	OP4	ED4	14.9-14.10	Ayaushi! P-chan no himitsu
63	91.02.15	OP4	ED4		Tamago wo tsukamu otoko
64	91.02.22	OP4	ED4	15.1-15.3	Ranma to Kunou no hatsu kiss?!
65	91.03.01	OP4	ED4	SS Special	Shampoo no akai ito
66	91.03.08	OP4	ED4		Mousse kokyou ni kaeru
67	91.03.15	OP4	ED4	15.4-15.7	Shijou saitei no kake
68	91.03.22	OP4	ED4		Marianne ni natta Kunou
69	91.03.29	OP4	ED4		Ranma nanka daikirai!
70	91.04.05	OP5	ED5	15.8-15.9	Sono osage morattaa!
71	91.04.12	OP5	ED5	15.10-15.11	Otoko no yabou ga tsukiru toki...
72	91.04.19	OP5	ED5		Linlin, Ranran no gyakushuu
73	91.04.26	OP5	ED5		Ryougga no proposal
74	91.05.03	OP5	ED5		Genma, iede suru
75	91.05.10	OP5	ED5	[6.9-6.11]	Kore ga kakutou sadou de omasu
76	91.05.17	OP5	ED5		Doujou yaburi wa onna no ko?
77	91.05.24	OP5	ED5	[16.1-16.7]	Zekkyou! Onsen battle
78	91.05.31	OP5	ED5	{12.4-12.6}	Me ga Kunou no daddy desu
79	91.06.07	OP5	ED5		Kakutou sadou - Iemoto tatsu!
80	91.06.14	OP5	ED5		Leotard wa otome no noroi
81	91.06.21	OP5	ED5	{16.4}	Kyoufu no kon-yoku onsen
82	91.06.28	OP5	ED5		Kaeru no urami harashimasu
83	91.07.05	OP5	ED5		Gyakushuu! Ikari no okonomiyaki
84	91.07.12	OP5	ED5		Nanpa ni natta Ranma
85	91.07.19	OP5	ED5		Kakutou shougi wa inochigake
86	91.07.26	OP5	ED5		Sasuke no spy daisakusen
87	91.08.02	OP5	ED5	(16.8-16.11)	Bonjour de gozaimasu
88	91.08.09	OP5	ED5	(17.1-17.4)	Dinner wa ring no uede
89	91.08.16	OP5	ED5	(14.4-14.5)	Akane, namida no suiei daitokkun
90	91.08.23	OP5	ED5		Ryougga! Yuuhi ni mukatte hashire
91	91.08.30	OP5	ED5		Yume no naka he
92	91.09.06	OP5	ED5	<17.5-17.10>	Ranma wa Nabiki no iinazuke?
93	91.09.13	OP5	ED5		Tendou-ke ni kieta takoyaki no nazo
94	91.09.20	OP5	ED5		Taiketsu! Ranma vs. kage Ranma
95	91.09.27	OP5	ED5		Kodachi no my lovely papa
96	91.10.04	OP5	ED5		Kyouteki? Gosunkugi-kun toujou
97	91.10.11	OP5	ED5		Ranma wa hetakuso? Kakutou shodou
98	91.10.18	OP5	ED5		Fuurinkan Koukou, kage no don toujou
99	91.10.25	OP5	ED5		Higan! Futsuu no otoko ni modoritai
100	91.11.01	OP6	ED6		Saotome-ryuu no atotsugi wa Ryougga?
101	91.11.15	OP6	ED6		Tendou-ke, yuuenchi e iku
102	91.11.29	OP6	ED6		Fuurinkan Koukou - Toorima jiken
103	91.12.06	OP6	ED6	<18.1-18.4>	Jusenkyou kara kita akuma zenpen
104	91.12.13	OP6	ED6	<18.5-18.11>	Jusenkyou kara kita akuma kouhen
105	91.12.20	OP6	ED6		Ranma ga inai Xmas
106	91.01.10	OP6	ED6		Yukinko fuyu monogatari
107	91.01.17	OP6	ED6	17.11	Rakugaki panda no noroi
108	91.01.24	OP6	ED6	(19.1-19.3)	Suika tou no kousaiki
109	91.01.31	OP6	ED6		Shiawase no panda densetsu
110	92.02.07	OP6	ED6	(19.4-19.6)	Ranma to Ukyou ga sauce souai?
111	92.02.14	OP6	ED6	(19.7-19.8)	Itsuwari fuufu yo eien ni...
112	92.02.21	OP6	ED6	{6.11}	Kakutou sadou! Sarawareta Iemoto

113	92.02.28	OP6	ED6	Taihen! Akane ga nyuuin shita
114	92.03.06	OP6	ED6 (19.9)	Nazo no abare takotsubo arawareru?!
115	92.03.13	OP6	ED6 (19.10)	Gosunkugi! Aa koi no kami-ningyou
116	92.03.20	OP6	ED6	Akane no kokoro ga wakaranai
117	92.03.27	OP6	ED6	Tsuiseki! Temariuta no nazo
118	92.04.03	OP7	ED7 (19.11)	Mou anata kara hanarenai
119	92.04.10	OP7	ED7	Kunou Tatewaki, dairi kouchou wo meizu
120	92.04.17	OP7	ED7	Ranma, tsukiyo ni hoeru
121	92.04.24	OP7	ED7	Nii hao! Jusenkyou no Guide-san
122	92.05.01	OP7	ED7	Meiwaku! Rokunin no Happousai
123	92.05.08	OP7	ED7 SS	Kibunshidai no hissatsuwaza (zen)
124	92.05.15	OP7	ED7 SS	Kibunshidai no hissatsuwaza (kou)
125	92.05.22	OP7	ED7	Shampoo toraware no kiss
126	92.05.29	OP7	ED7	Boku to kakeochi-shite kudasai
127	92.06.05	OP7	ED7	Kinoko tera e yukou

opening/ending music and animation

OP1	none	[Ranma & Akane]	
OP2	Little Date	[Ranma & Akane]	(ribbon)
OP3	Omoide-Ga Ippai	[Happousai]	(CoCo)
OP4	Zettai! Part 2		(Hayasaka Yoshie)
OP5	Chikyu Orchestra		(KUSU KUSU)
OP6	Mou Nakanaide		(Senou Azusa)
OP7	Love Seeker Can't Stop It		(Vision)
ED1	Don't mind lay-lay Boy		(Nishio Etsuko)
ED2	Lambada Ranma		(Ranma operatic troupe)
ED3	Present		(Toukyou Shounen)
ED4	Friends		(YAWMIN)
ED5	Hinageshi		(Nakajima Michiyo)
ED6	Positive		(Morikawa Miho)
ED7	Niji to Taiyou no Oka		(Piyo Piyo)

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1. Prisoner
2. Makeup
3. Star Angel
4. Half Man
5. Trouble City
6. Prelude
7. Labyrinth
8. Metal Fire
9. Star Dust

10. Outside
11. Deja Vu
12. Lost Memory
13. Triple Mirror
14. I am Ready
15. Love Story
16. Hunter Killer
17. Bio Psyche (?? Really not sure, second word is SaIKa)
18. Wonderland
19. Crisis
20. Daydream
21. Nightmare
22. Catastrophe
23. Genesis

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#	Episode number
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EP. TITLE	Title of the episode
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GRAPHIC	Which Urusei 'Shonen Sunday Graphic' the episode can be found in

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#	DATE	TELEVISION EPISODE TITLE	ANIME	SUNDAY GRAPHIC
Lum's Love Song / Big Space Party!				
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1	10/14/81	I'm Lum, the Notorious!	1.1	1.01
2	10/14/81	*A Rain of Petroleum Falls on the Town	3.2	1.03
3	10/21/81	*Ten Arrives via Space-Mail!	4.2	7.05
4	10/21/81	*Mr. Swallow and Mr. Penguin	8.3	9.02
5	10/28/81	*Transforming Cute Boy Lei Arrives!	2.2	1.06
6	10/28/81	*Die, Lover!	6.4	1.07
7	11/ 4/81	*Kintaro comes out of theAutumn Sky!	5.4	8.11
8	11/ 4/81	*Live Powerfully!	4.5	9.01
9	11/18/81	*Riddle of Sexy Lady Sakura	1.2	1.04
10	11/18/81	*Painful Wheels	8.4	5.01
11	11/25/81	*Love Triangle Black Hole	12.3	1.05
12	11/25/81	*Look Look it's a Little Demon!	12.4	1.02
13	12/ 2/81	*Terrifying Electric Shock!	1.6	2.06
14	12/ 2/81	*Evil Will-Power Puppets	2.3	2.04
15	12/ 9/81	*Closet-View of Neptune	7.3	2.01
16	12/ 9/81	*Confusing Dinosaur Age	6.3	8.05
17	12/16/81	*Sleeping Beauty Princess Kurama	1.5	2.07
18	12/16/81	*Athletic Woman Hell!	3.5	2.08
19	12/23/81	*Heart-Throb Christmas <Part 1>	1.3	3.09
20	12/23/81	*Heart-Throb Christmas <Part 2>	1.4	3.09
21	1/ 6/82	*Ataru Minamoto Goes to Ancient Kyoto<P1>	5.5	
22	1/ 6/82	*Ataru Minamoto Goes to Ancient Kyoto<P2>	5.6	
23	1/13/82	*Battle Royale of Love	11.3	3.02
24	1/13/82	*Your Father Was Strong	5.3	3.01
25	1/20/82	*Hawaiian Swimsuit Thieves	3.1	5.06-.07
26	1/20/82	*Full Course Hell	4.1	5.09
27	1/27/82	*Mendo, With Trouble	2.1	3.05
28	1/27/82	*Constellations Spin	4.6	3.06
29	2/ 3/82	*Winter's-End Great War	9.1	1.08
30	2/ 3/82	*Benten Army Corps Return-Match	9.2	7.09
31	2/10/82	*Ah... Private Instruction	13.3	

32	2/10/82	*Inspection Day Battle	13.4	6.04
33	2/24/82	*4-Dimensional Camera	7.4	4.06
34	2/24/82	*Demon Running	3.6	4.09
35	3/ 3/82	*Girl's March Doll Festival! Enter Lan	2.4	6.08
36	3/ 3/82	*Lan's Invitation	11.4	6.11
37	3/10/82	*Tears of the Tomorrow-Diary	14.3	4.02
38	3/10/82	*WHO is this Child?	14.4	4.03
39	3/17/82	Shunmin Party	10.2	3.07
40	3/17/82	*Peach-Blossom Poetry-Reading War	10.1	8.02
41	3/24/82	*Decide! Ataru VS. Ataru	15.3	3.03
42	3/24/82	*Awakening Nightmare	15.4	4.05
	4/ 2/82	*Urusei Yatsura All Star Big Assault		
	4/ 2/82	*Field Trip! ***	21.3-.4	6.05-.07

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43	4/ 7/82	*Space Marriage-Interview Big Tactics<P1>	2.5	9.07
44	4/ 7/82	*Space Marriage-Interview Big Tactics<P2>	2.6	9.08-.10
45	4/14/82	*Full-Bloom Spring Picnic Big Riot! <P1>	10.5	2.05
46	4/14/82	*Full-Bloom Spring Picnic Big Riot! <P2>	10.6	4.04
47	4/21/82	*Beware the Earmuffs!	7.1-.2	8.03
48	4/28/82	*Fly, Imo-chan!		4.07
49	5/ 5/82	*Ten-chan's Love	3.3-.4	
50	5/12/82	*Flying Dracula	11.1-.2	10.10-.11
51	5/19/82	*Lum-chan's Boy's Education Course	4.3-.4	9.03
52	5/26/82	*From Gardenia With Love	9.3-.4	7.08
53	6/ 2/82	*With the Beauty Comes the Rain	12.5-.6	10.01-.03
54	6/ 9/82	*Give Back my Horn!	7.5-.6	11.07
55	6/16/82	Strangeness in the Library	6.1-.2	8.10
56	6/23/82	*Enter ***-Sensei! This is Youth	8.1-.2	6.01-.03
57	6/30/82	*Love with the Sorrowful Ghost	13.1-.2	9.06,09.11
58	7/14/82	*Darling Desperate Situation!	5.1-.2	7.01-.02
59	7/21/82	*Lei Reborn! Solitary Studying Big Riot!!		
60	7/28/82	*Mystery Person Red Manto Appears!	6.5-.6	5.05
61	8/ 4/82	*Darling is Taken Away! Copy Tactics!!		
62	8/11/82	*<DOKI DOKI> Summer Date	13.5-.6	4.10
63	8/18/82	*Sayonara Bye-Bye Every Summer Day	14.5-.6	10.06,05.11
64	9/ 1/82	*Panic in Typhoon!	15.1-.2	10.07
65	9/ 8/82	*Drunken Boogie	16.5-.6	11.10
66	9/22/82	*Terror of Nyaon	8.5-.6	8.04

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67	10/13/82	*After You Leave	9.5-.6	4.08
68	10/20/82	*Lum's Class Meeting	7.5-.6	12.05
69	10/27/82			
70	11/ 3/82	*Shudder! Mystery of the Secluded Fossil	11.5-.6	13.06
71	11/10/82	*Princess Kurama's New Challenge!	16.1-.2	14.01-.03
72	11/17/82	*Panic of the Tooth-Decay Wars!		13.07

73	11/24/82	*The Mendo Big Brother & Little Sister!	10.3-.4	12.08-.09	7
74	12/ 1/82	*The Grudging Cat on the Staircase	18.1-.2	11.09	7
75	12/ 8/82	*Can the Badger Return the Favor!?		13.10	7
76	12/15/82	*Death-Defying Next-Door Part-Time Job	16.3-.4	13.08	7
77	12/22/82	*Lum Sponsored Year's-End Party!	18.5-.6	11.11	7

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78	1/ 5/83	Another Old Japan Tale		13.01-.03	7
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From: Hitoshi Doi

This is the episode guide for Yawara! up until February 20, 1990.

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4	89.11.06	Yawara wo shiaini dasu sakusen! Korega washino yarikata ja!!
5	89.11.13	Iza jissen! Yawara no michiha ichinichini shitenarazu ja!!
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7	89.11.27	Ho ho ho! Nihonwo yurugasu Yawara boom ja!!
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1.111 Yuu Yuu Hakusho TV Episodes

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This is an episode list for Yuu*Yuu*Hakusho, for as far as I currently have episodes. The dates aired all came from Newtype. I have no knowledge about how accurate they are (being stuck on this side of the Pacific...) I tried to keep the original feel of the titles, and so they are sometimes a little on the strange side. Names that get used frequently are left in Japanese, with a literal translation put in paranthesis. Any suggestions for alternate translations are welcome. Trying to translate episode titles was one of the weirdest, most frustrating experiences I've had, so I would love to have any ideas on how to translate these better.

I will update this list as I get more episodes, and will gladly forward updates to anyone who wants them.

Yuu*Yuu*Hakusho Episode List
Compiled and translated by Melinda Miller

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 - 2 Koenma of the Spirit World. The Test For Revival
10/17/92 Reikai no Koenma. Fukkatsu no Shiren
 - 3 Kuwabara: A Man's Promise
10/24/92 Kuwabara: Otoko no Chikai!
 - 4 Hot Blaze! The Bonds of Lovers
10/31/92 Atsuki Honou! Koibito no Kizuna
 - 5 Yuusuke Revives! And a New Mission
11/7/92 Yuusuke Fukkatsu! Aratanaru Shimei
 - 6 3 Fiends! Hiei, Kurama, Gooki
*11/14/92 Sanbiki no Youkai! Hiei, Kurama, Gooki
 - 7 Kurama's Secret?! The Bond Between Mother and Child
*11/21/92 Kurama no Himitsu?! Haha to Ko no Kizuna
 - 8 Keiko's Close Call! Evil Eye Master Hiei
*11/28/92 Keiko Ayaushi! Jaganshi Hiei
 - 9 Tournament for Genkai's Sucessor Commences
*12/5/92 Genkai no Keishousha Toonamento Kaishi

*Dates are approximate, since I don't have that month's Newtype
 - 10 Desperate Struggle in the Dark! Kuwabara: Psychic Sword
12/12/92 Ankoku no Shitou! Kuwabara: Reiki no Ken
 - 11 Yuusuke's Hard Fight! Wounding Counterattack
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 - 12 Rando Appears! Kuwabara's Embarrasing Defeat
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1/30/93 Tobi yo Reiken! Kuwabara: Otoko no Shobu
 - 17 Byakou-- Hell's War Cry
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- 27 Ship of Death's Departure! To the Island of Hell
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- 28 Small, Formidable Enemy! Rinku's Secret Skill
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- 29 Make the Flower of Blood Bloom Kurama!
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- 30 Unfinished Mystery: Blazing Death Black Dragon Wave
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- 31 Drunken Fighter! Chuu's Drunken Fist
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* **Literally means: Robe of Feather of Dying and Proceeding to the Next World

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