

# Yowamushi Pedal: A Comprehensive Guide to the Anime and Manga Series



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Yowamushi Pedal is a Japanese anime and manga series created by Wataru Watanabe. The series follows the story of Onoda Sakamichi, an otaku who unexpectedly joins the cycling club at Sohoku High School and discovers his hidden talent for the sport.

Yowamushi Pedal has become a global phenomenon, with fans from all over the world drawn to its heartwarming story, memorable characters, and thrilling cycling races. The series has inspired countless young people to take up cycling and has even been credited with boosting the popularity of the sport in Japan.

## **The Story**

The story of Yowamushi Pedal begins with Onoda Sakamichi, a high school freshman who has always been an outcast due to his love of anime and manga. However, Onoda's life takes an unexpected turn when he joins the cycling club at Sohoku High School and meets Imaizumi Shunsuke, a talented cyclist who recognizes Onoda's potential.

Together, Onoda and Imaizumi lead the Sohoku cycling club to victory in the inter-high school cycling competition. Along the way, they face challenges from rival teams, including Hakone Academy, led by the ruthless

Makishima Yuusuke. But through hard work and determination, Onoda and his team overcome every obstacle and achieve their dreams.

## The Characters

Yowamushi Pedal features a cast of memorable and relatable characters, each with their own unique strengths and weaknesses.

- **Onoda Sakamichi:** The main protagonist of the series, Onoda is a timid and unassuming otaku who discovers his love for cycling. Despite his lack of experience, Onoda's determination and perseverance help him become a valuable member of the Sohoku cycling club.
- **Imaizumi Shunsuke:** A talented cyclist and the captain of the Sohoku cycling club, Imaizumi is initially dismissive of Onoda. However, he eventually comes to respect Onoda's abilities and becomes his mentor and close friend.
- **Naruko Shoukichi:** A skilled sprinter and Onoda's first friend in the cycling club, Naruko is a loud and boisterous character who is always ready to lend a helping hand.
- **Makishima Yuusuke:** The captain of the Hakone Academy cycling club, Makishima is a ruthless and determined cyclist who will stop at nothing to win. His rivalry with Onoda and the Sohoku cycling club is a major driving force in the series.

## The Impact

Yowamushi Pedal has had a significant impact on the cycling community, inspiring countless young people to take up the sport. The series has also

helped to raise awareness of competitive cycling and has made the sport more accessible to a wider audience.

In addition to its impact on the cycling community, Yowamushi Pedal has also received critical acclaim for its heartwarming story and well-developed characters. The series has won numerous awards, including the Kodansha Manga Award for Best Shounen Manga in 2015.

Yowamushi Pedal is a heartwarming and inspiring anime and manga series that has captured the hearts of fans around the world. With its memorable characters, thrilling cycling races, and positive message, Yowamushi Pedal is a must-read for any fan of sports anime or manga.

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