

Limited number of 'The Heroic Legend of Arslan Complete Box Set' to go on sale

Kinokuniya Company Ltd. (Head office Meguro-ku, Tokyo, Japan – Chairman and President Masashi Takai) and Kobunsha Co. Ltd. (Head office Bunkyo-ku, Tokyo, Japan – President Nobuhiko Tange) are delighted to announce the release of 'The Heroic Legend of Arslan Complete Box Set', as of 15 December 2017.

Yoshiki Tanaka's amazing heroic fantasy novel series, The Heroic Legend of Arslan's first volume (design and illustrations by Yoshitaka Amano) was launched in 1986 by Kodakawa Bunko. After the publication of the 10th volume in 1999, all the books from the series had become temporarily out of stock. In 2003, as part of Kobunsha's 'Kappa Novels', this series was reissued by combining two volumes into one book with brand new jackets (design and illustrations by Shinobu Tanno). Thereafter, the 11th volume was sold in 2005 and was followed by one volume being published every 1 – 2 years. A cumulative total of 6.35 million copies have been published for this series (including those by Kodakawa Bunko). 31 years have passed since the first volume was sold, and finally the series will be complete with the sale of the 16th volume in December this year.

Kinokuniya and Kobunsha have had discussions for a joint project, and it has been decided that 'The Heroic Legend of Arslan Complete Box Set' will be published as a Kinokuniya exclusive product. The complete set of all 16 volumes (11 books) will be packed into a deluxe box, and as a special gift, postcards depicting the cover images for all 11 books of the Kappa Novel's edition will be enclosed. The print run is limited to 1,000 sets, which will only be sold at Kinokuniya Bookstores and Webstore.

Title: The Heroic Legend of Arslan Complete Box Set

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