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Thread: [Best anime series for adults?](#)

1-0 Meadows - June 1, 2011, 2:03 pm

Personally I think Samurai Champloo or Cowboy Bebop are the best series for adults or anyone with a higher standard in storytelling and overall production.

But im sure some of you think different eh? Let's hear it cause ive been looking for a new anime to start that isnt too cute or fluffy.

Highest Quality - June 1, 2011, 2:07 pm

I just finished Code Geass and it was pretty amazing. SEason 1&2 were excellent. Has some childish things in the beginning 3-4 episodes. But after that it just keeps getting better and better.

1-0 Meadows - June 1, 2011, 2:11 pm

Interesting. I had a few friends suggest it in the past but I never made it past the first 2-3 episodes although I thought the premise was always awesome. I'm gonna have to give it a second chance and watch the first season atleast.

averageuser - June 1, 2011, 2:15 pm

Bartender is the only one I can think of.

ULTRAMARV - June 1, 2011, 2:15 pm

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Professor Pantsu - June 1, 2011, 2:26 pm

(Jun 1, 2011 02:15 PM)ULTRAMARV Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) i really like elfenlied

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Elfen Lied isn't really an adult series. It's more of a teenager "I'm so edgy and dark" series.

On topic, there isn't really a single best anime series for adults, anything seinen is for adults. As for the best seinen, it's all up to the individual to decide.

If your a female, then you may be more interested in josei stuff.

1-0 Meadows - June 1, 2011, 2:35 pm

I know there is no "one best" but many people have their favorite. This is for people to voice their opinion on what they think is best and maybe get ideas on something they might not have watched.

Im also gonna throw Rurouni Kenshin out there. The series seems to be aimed towards teens but I think most adults would enjoy it. And the movies are definitely more adult oriented.

siman880 - June 1, 2011, 2:36 pm

Have you ever seen Trinity Blood? I have yet to watch it, but it was recommended by a friend.

Ayumu "Osaka" Kasuga - June 1, 2011, 2:38 pm

This is kind of a hard topic, as most animes would be enjoyed by adults and teenagers/children alike and I don't think there are any animes that are specifically for adults. For example, Azumanga Daioh is funny and childish/kiddy, but both adults and teenagers enjoy it. If I were you I wouldn't look for animes to match your age, but rather your preferred genre :)

averageuser - June 1, 2011, 5:28 pm

(Jun 1, 2011 02:26 PM)Kallen Stadtfeld Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) On topic, there isn't really a single best anime series for adults.

I would say that most anime isn't really catered towards "normal" adults in the first place, but the target market for most moeshit, harem, etc.. series is indeed adult otaku. (or just major losers, no offence to any losers here)

And in reality, the target market for most "dark" or "mature" series are young teenagers, because prod companies know kids will buy into this shit.

The people who producers and companies are trying to get to buy their products and watch their shows, aren't always a direct reflection of the series itself. Like for example, you'd assume that K-ON is for pre-teen or young teenage girls, but in reality, they probably make most of their revenue from adult, obese fags.

The Laughing Man - June 1, 2011, 9:48 pm

So I assume you want dark and deep then OP since you said "for adults"? Okay then, try "Now and then, here and there"

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Almost - June 1, 2011, 10:55 pm

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Wait a second... Code Geass isn't deep? fuckin' trollin nigga

DigitalDesire - June 1, 2011, 11:40 pm

It gets really deep towards the end of Neon Genesis: Evangelion. If you don't know a lot about psychology it might get a bit boring and hard to follow though.

Status - June 1, 2011, 11:49 pm

What does adult mean?

Aren't all adults different?

Peter Pot - June 2, 2011, 12:49 am

Hmm... You can try out Ghost in the Shell.

1-0 Meadows - June 2, 2011, 2:13 am

Ok so to clear it up for everyone who's confused. I'm looking for series that generally try to give insight and observe more adult concepts that often go unnoticed or are incomprehensible to certain kids (depending on age and knowledge of course). To make an example would be Cowboy Bebop

and how it explore concepts such as existentialism, philosophy, loneliness, and even an episode on cults. Samurai Champloo which was also directed by Shinichiro Watanabe deals with many other similar or different concepts. The first that pops into mind is the episode when Jin falls in love with a women forced into prostitution. And although "Now and then, Here and there" is a great recommendation (I was watching it on netflix before i cancelled it) I dont necessarily mean just dark and deep.

I like series/movies that acknowledge that peoples emotions change...often. Although its nice to have themes (I found cowboy bebop much more dark/brooding and Samurai Champloo more upbeat/humorous) they shouldnt stick to it all the time.

One of the best ways for me to show what I mean is most of studio ghibli films. (I refer to them as the pixar of Japan :D)Theyre obviously marketed towards younger audiences of varying degrees but they all deal with deeper concepts and have layers that can keep the lil kiddies parents interested. While things like Chobits and Ah my goddess offer much less besides cutesy fun gimmicky stuff. Also, I dont consider anime with extreme gore and no story containing humor/love/hate/any of the multitude of human emotions to be mature or adult. Gore for gores sake creates something as shallow as most childrens shows.

Final statement for clarification(hopefully)- Adult as I put it in my title and in my mind means an anime that atleast gives a good attempt at letting the viewer experience a range of emotions that they would also find in real life while touching on topics that require or atleast encourage the viewer to think to some capacity. That was a long post... dont blame you if you skip to the end :P

TheGreatOne - June 2, 2011, 2:13 am

Adults all have different personalities (big news) lol. I suggest any decent anime like Death Note or Claymore.

el.walaby - June 2, 2011, 7:29 am

Hi,

I think Cowboy Bebop and Ghost in the Shell. And Robotech Macross but thats for all jejee.

I almost forgot Evangelion.

Bertone321 - June 2, 2011, 12:34 pm

Deathnote maybe? Because it's more of a thinking one than an actiony one

bballfan6 - June 4, 2011, 11:29 pm

monster would be a good watch