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Thread: [My Recommendations for Good Starter Anime](#)

Wirt - June 19, 2015, 12:12 pm

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[Hataraku Maou-sama! \(The Devil is a Part-Timer!\)](#) - Devil King Sadao is only one step away from conquering the world when he is beaten by Hero Emilia and forced to drift to the other world: modern-day Tokyo. As "conquering the world" are the only skills the Devil King possesses—and are obviously unnecessary in his new situation—he must work as a freeter to pay for his living expenses! -- This is supposed to be a comedy, and it does a damn good job at it too. You will be laughing through the whole anime.

[Full-Metal Alchemist: Brotherhood](#) - In this world there exist alchemists, people who study and perform the art of alchemical transmutation—to manipulate objects and transform one object into another. They are bounded by the basic law of alchemy: in order to gain something you have to sacrifice something of the same value.

The main character is the famous alchemist Edward Elric—also known as the Fullmetal Alchemist—who almost lost his little brother, Alphonse, in an alchemical accident. Edward managed to attach his brother's soul to a large suit of armor. While he did manage to save his brother's life, he paid the terrible price of his limbs.

To get back what they've lost, the brothers embark on a journey to find the Philosopher's Stone that is said to amplify the powers of an alchemist enormously; however, on the way, they start

uncovering a conspiracy that could endanger the entire nation, and they realize the misfortunes brought upon by the Philosopher's Stone.

Be warned though, it is a long anime. Took me a little while.

[Trigun](#) - Vash the Stampede is a wanted man with a habit of turning entire frontier towns into rubble. The price on his head is a fortune, and his path of destruction reaches across the arid wastelands of a desert planet. Unfortunately, most encounters with the spiky-haired gunslinger don't end well for the bounty hunters who catch up with him; someone almost always gets hurt—and it's never Vash. Oddly enough, for such an infamous fugitive, there's no proof that he's ever taken a life. In fact, he's a pacifist with a doughnut obsession who's more doofus than desperado. There's a whole lot more to him than his reputation lets on—Vash the Stampede definitely ain't your typical outlaw. A throw-back to the late 90's anime style, this anime is definitely worth watching!

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Nagisa Furukawa - June 19, 2015, 1:26 pm

I would have to agree with Clannad, just be ready for a trip on the feels train

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(Jun 19, 2015 01:24 PM)Litecoin Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) The next three what? You didn't finish.

My bad. I was referring to your list. I'll edit my post.

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Angel Beats! wasn't really meant to be a love story in my opinion. I think it was meant for a moral lesson to tell people to be content with what they have in life. Don't be mad or dissatisfied because it's the only one you're going to get, so make the most of it. You can't afford to be mad, sad, or depressed for long periods of time. ?

Mac Marvin - June 19, 2015, 2:01 pm

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It has an interesting concept that got well executed and the characters develop a bit throughout the show. I guess some people won't really notice because it's really slight, mainly because the story hasn't progressed very far. The only real complaint I have with the show is that the pacing is pretty damn slow.

It's not perfect in any way except maybe the soundtrack. But it's still a pretty good show and definitely not bland in any way. Well that's just my opinion anyway

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One Piece is pretty fun actually, at least if you don't put too much thought into it

spidum - June 19, 2015, 6:07 pm

Hey thanks for all this info guys. I've been meaning to try to at least give anime a try and now I think I will. I've only seen one (Gun X Sword) and I really liked it. I highly recommend it if you haven't seen it already.

selinux - June 19, 2015, 8:41 pm

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Levi - June 25, 2015, 3:30 pm

eh, anime is subjective as fuck so i think introducing people to something like MAL and letting them pick for themselves via synopsis/genre listings way more effective.

Mac Marvin - June 25, 2015, 3:47 pm

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(Jun 25, 2015 03:49 PM)Levi Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) because it was rushed, the runtime was halved
Yes, and therefore it was pretty bad, I believe it could have been good if it got 24 episodes.

Wirt - June 27, 2015, 7:53 pm

I updated the OP with some more recommendations. Let me know what you think and if you have any other recommendations! Thanks to all who contributed!

OmfgWdf - June 27, 2015, 8:46 pm

Naruto
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alttp - June 27, 2015, 10:11 pm

Really good list, will check some of these out!

Bayleef - June 27, 2015, 11:00 pm

Full Metal Alchemist : Brother is a great starter anime. For someone more into drama, probably Clannad or if wanted to a more exciting extent, My Little Monster. Those were that anime that got a few of my friends into anime.

Wirt - June 28, 2015, 8:16 am

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I am trying to have anime that is watchable in a week or two.

Naruto (Original) has like 220+ eps

Bleach has 360+ eps

Fairytail has 170+ eps

trying to suggest things <100 eps

Gaia - June 28, 2015, 11:00 am

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Wirt - June 29, 2015, 10:07 pm

(Jun 28, 2015 11:00 AM)Gaia Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I started off with Death Note and i thought it was really good so ye :D

Hm starting off with Death Note? You should watch the rest of the anime on the list if you liked Death Note. :)

Hector Zeroni - July 1, 2015, 12:40 am

(Jun 25, 2015 11:14 AM)Happeh Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Attack on Titan might be bad but it's popular so a good anime to start with, you can't be bias while trying to recommend first anime to people

This: Also Attack on Titan is good to push watchers into manga. To me half the fun of reading manga/watching anime are the forums where people debate and predict whats going to happen next.

Also Attack on Titan is pretty simple and won't overwhelm a first time anime watcher.

Criss - July 2, 2015, 3:07 am

You have good suggestions , however , If I may add, D gray man is worth giving a shot. Even though it remains uncompleted, it is still a vital part of your anime experience ^.^

Ang?I - July 2, 2015, 8:43 am

(Jul 2, 2015 03:03 AM)wy5uejtylyuh Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) FMA very over - rated. Ending is like some Disney ending or w/e happily ever after and no one special really dies.

You're autistic. Just because someone doesn't die in the end doesn't make it a bad show. Btw, the original FMA ending isn't as happy go lucky as you think

redBit - July 2, 2015, 8:48 am

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Kenpachi- - July 2, 2015, 10:09 pm

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Agreed! The ending is just ugh tho.

Wirt - July 4, 2015, 11:09 am

(Jul 2, 2015 08:50 AM)wy5uejtylyuh Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Just not emotional enough lol

An anime doesn't have to be emotional to be good. Idk where you got that notion.

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Blasphemy. They were both good in their own respects. FMAB was definitely better though..

EDIT: I would also say Jojo's Bizarre Adventure is a great starter anime as well as Requiem for a Phantom.

Crya - July 4, 2015, 1:13 pm

(Jul 4, 2015 11:12 AM)Aria Kanzaki Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I would suggest

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