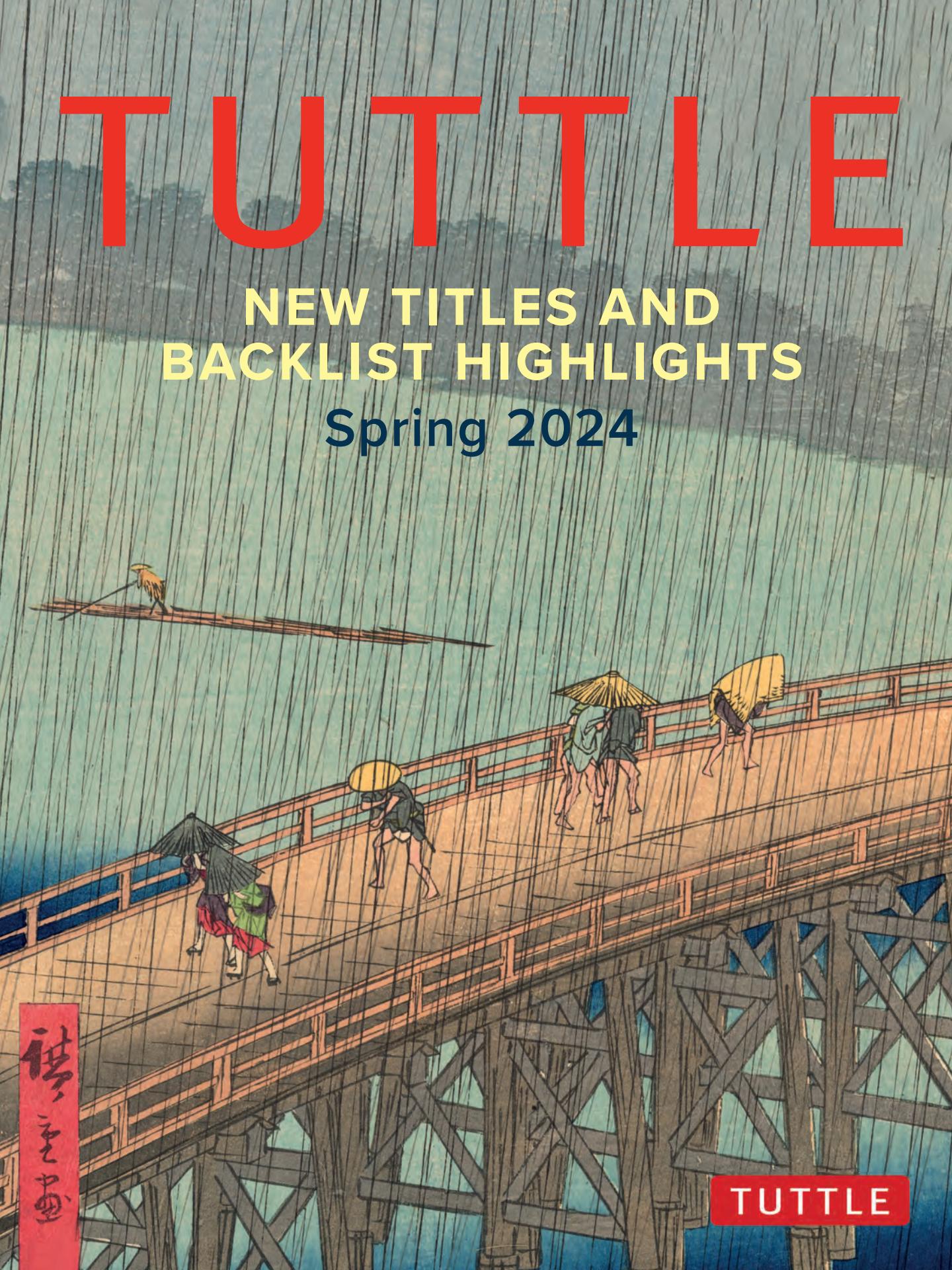


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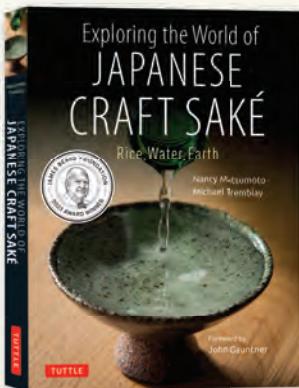
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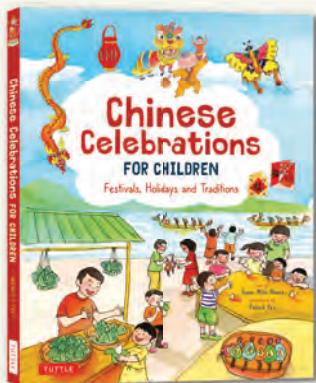
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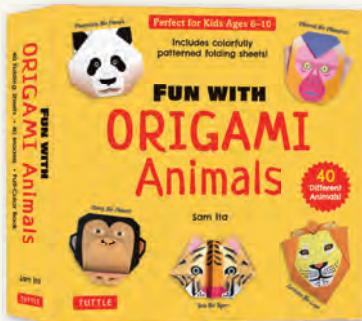
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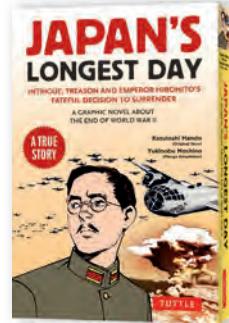
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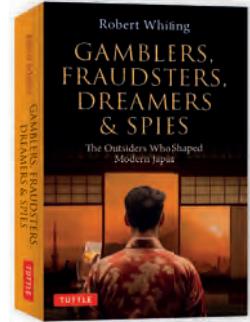
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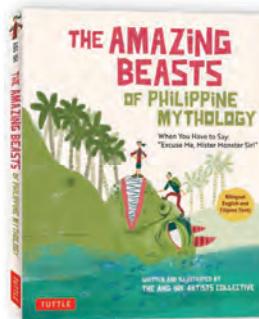
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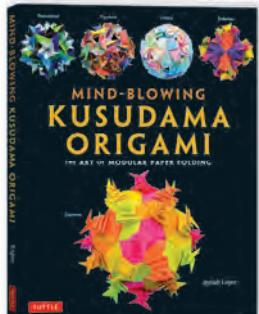
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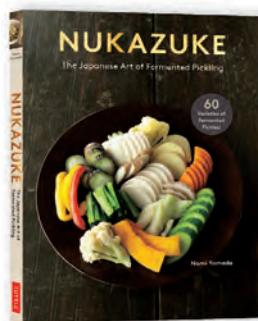
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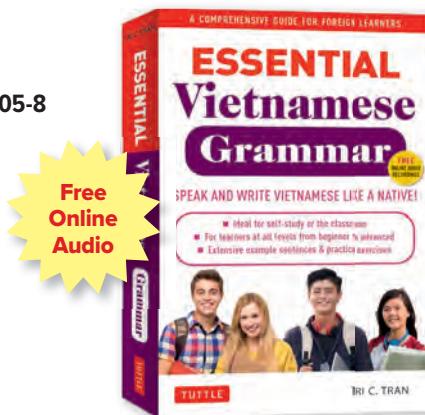
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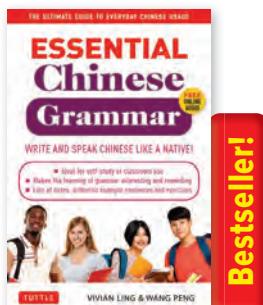
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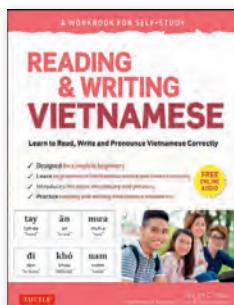


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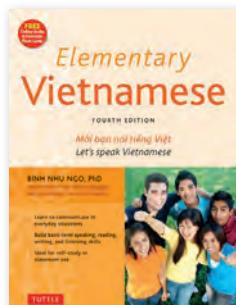
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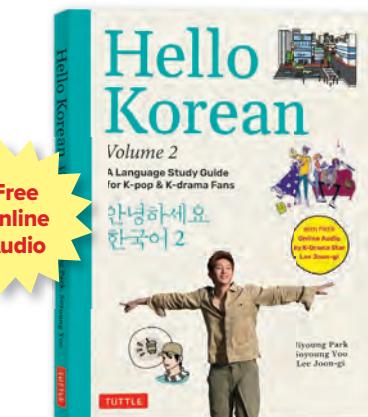
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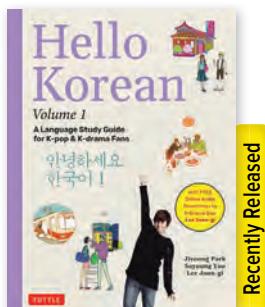
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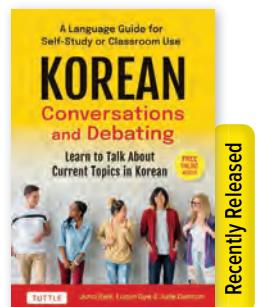
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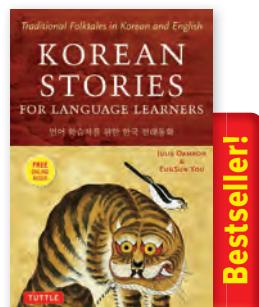
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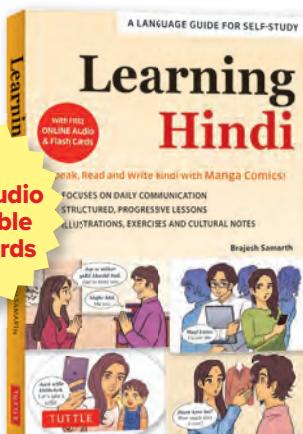
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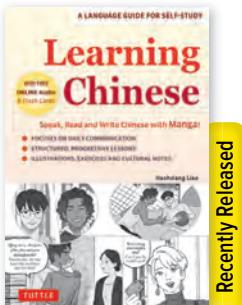
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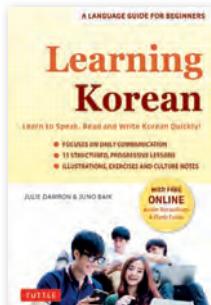


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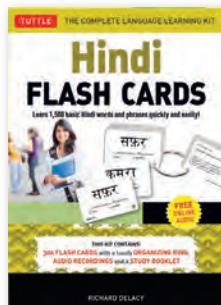
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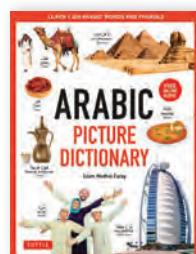


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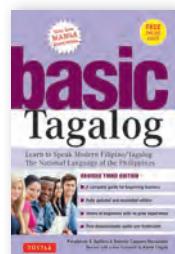
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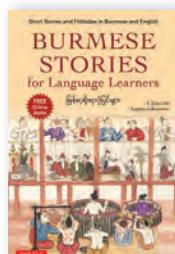


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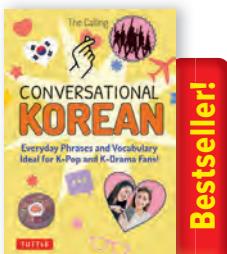


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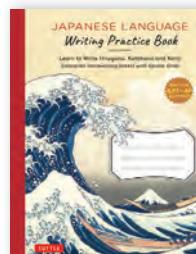
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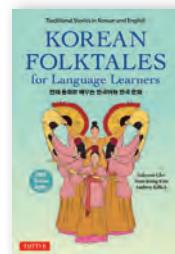


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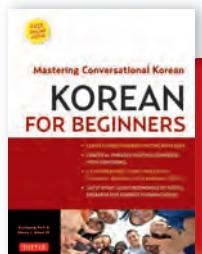


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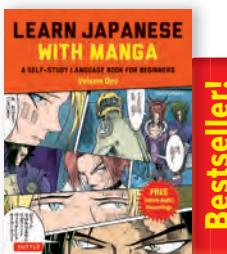
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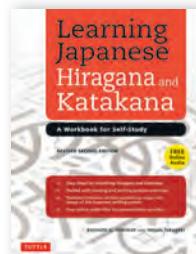
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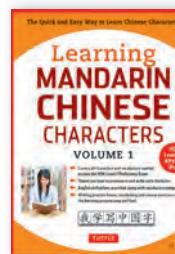
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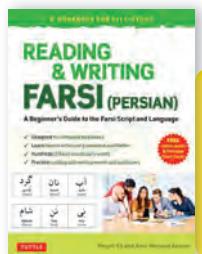
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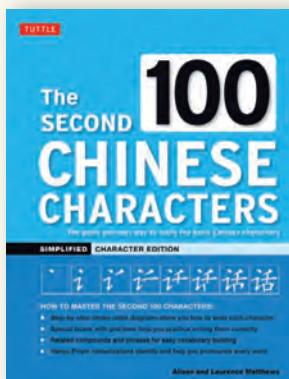
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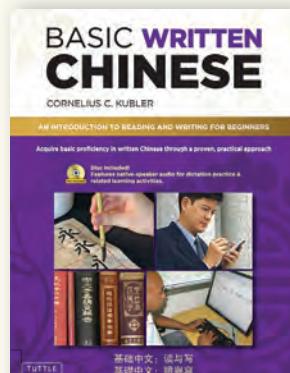
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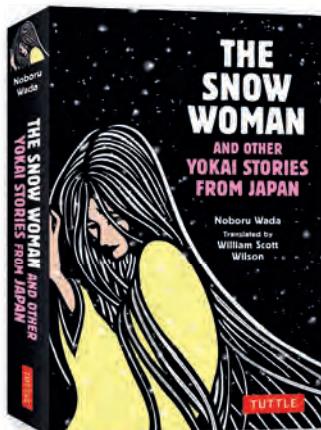
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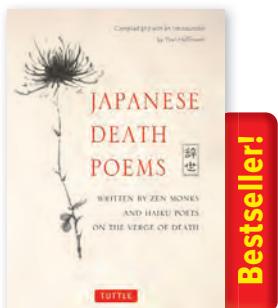
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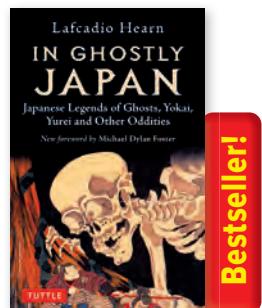
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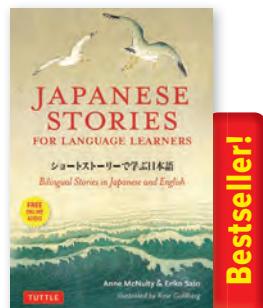
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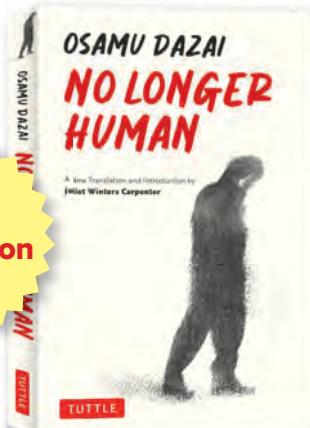
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**Juliet Winters Carpenter** is an award-winning American translator of modern Japanese fiction who studied at the University of Michigan and the Inter-University Center for Japanese Language Studies in Tokyo. After completing her studies, she returned to Japan where she became involved in translation and teaching. She is professor emeritus at Doshisha Women's College of Liberal Arts in Kyoto and has received numerous awards for her translation work including the William F. Sibley Memorial Award for Japanese Translation for her rendering of Mizumura Minae's *An I-Novel* and the Lindsey and Masao Miyoshi Translation Prize for a lifetime of achievement as a translator of modern Japanese literature.

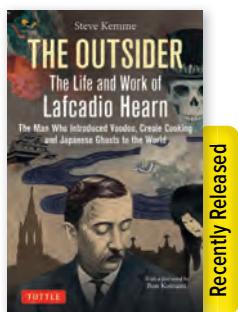
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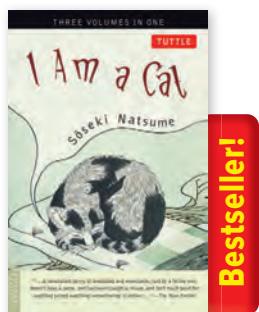
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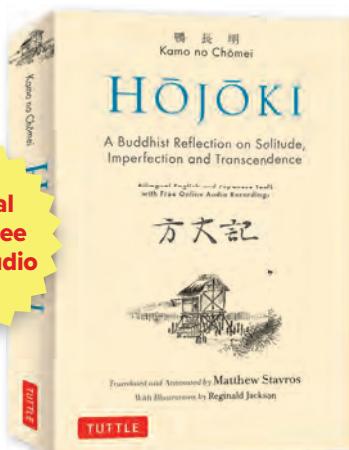
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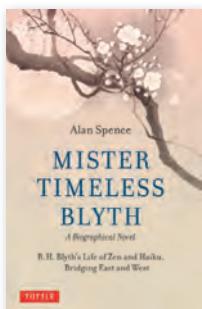
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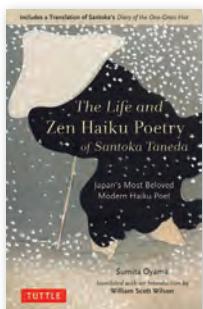
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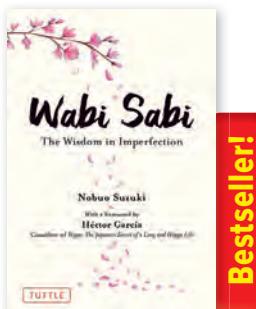
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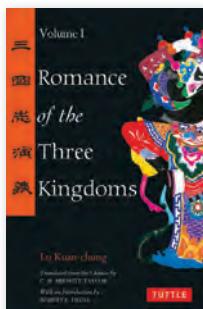
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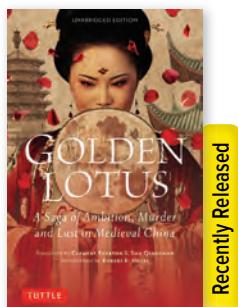
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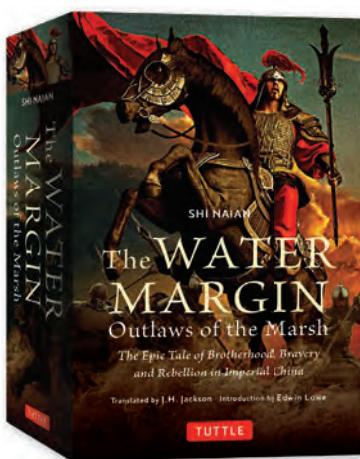
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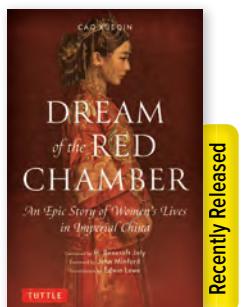
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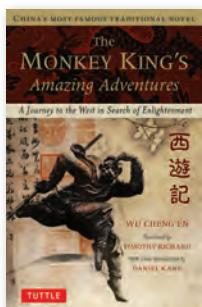
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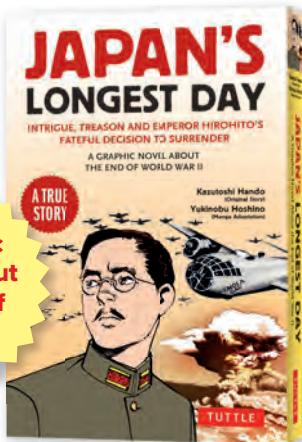
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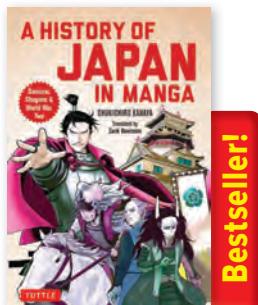
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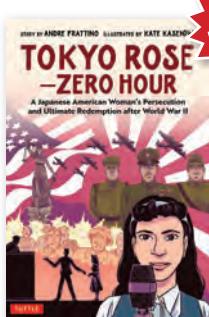
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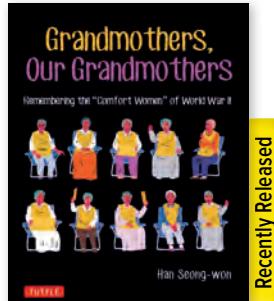


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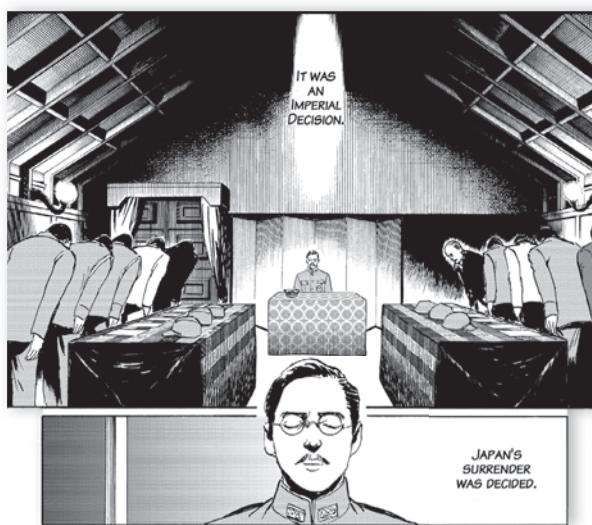
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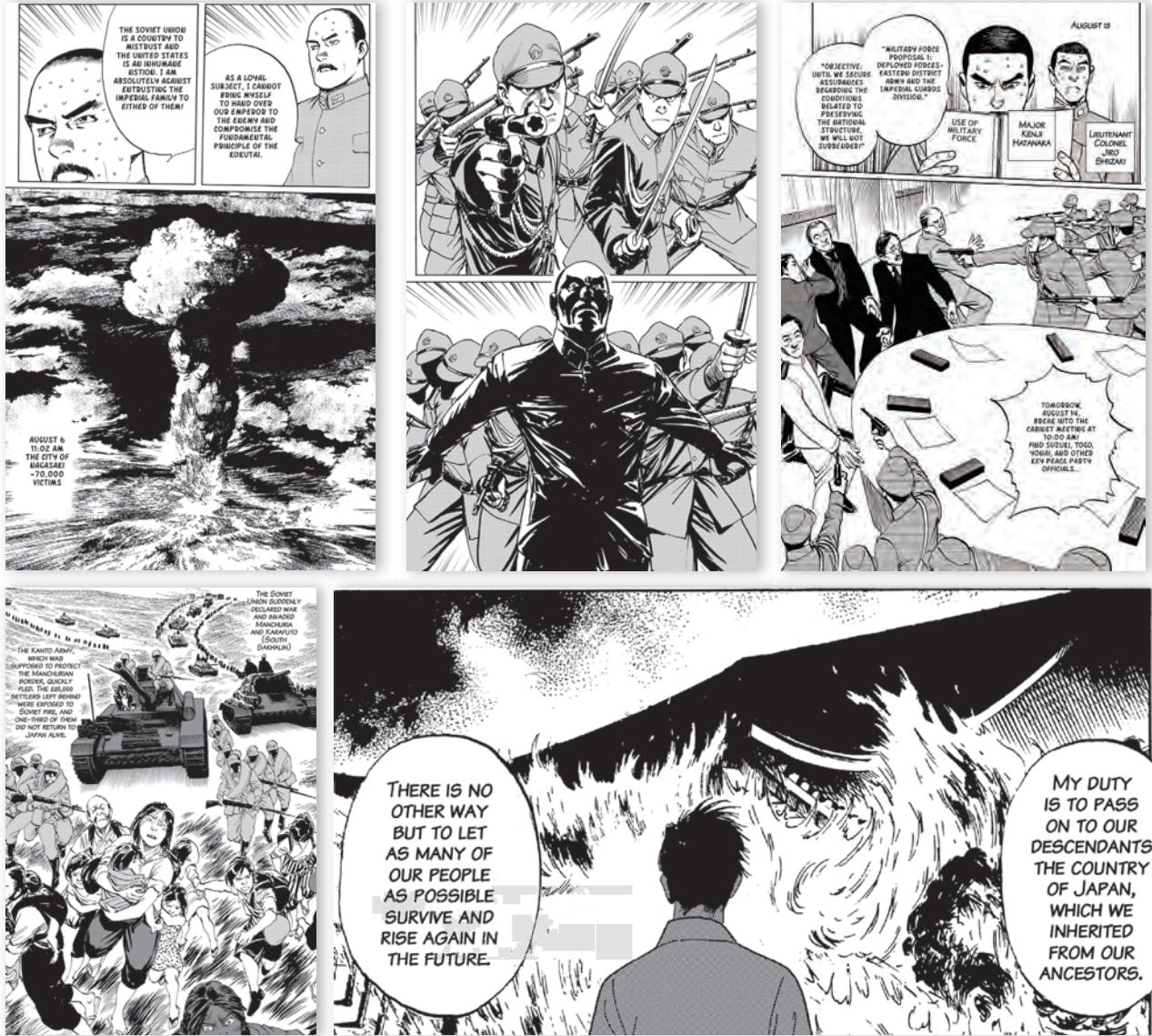
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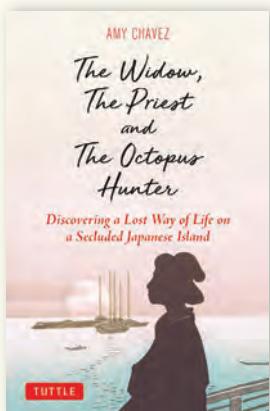
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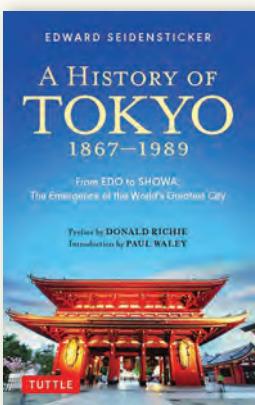


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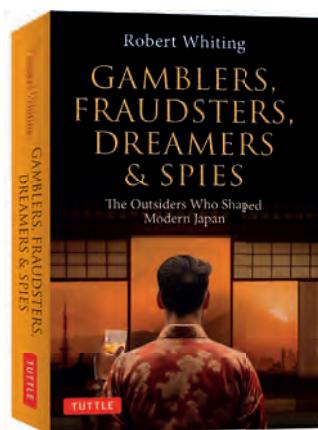
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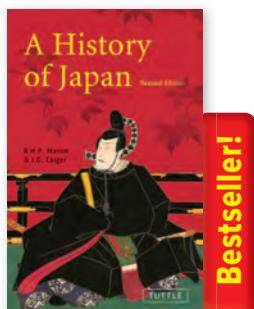
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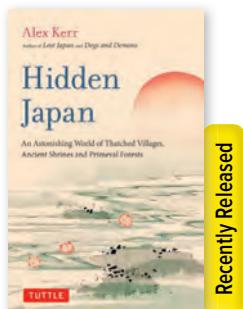


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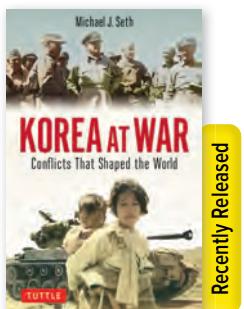


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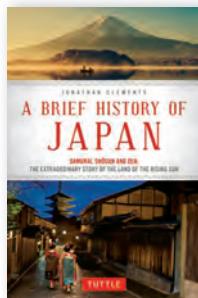
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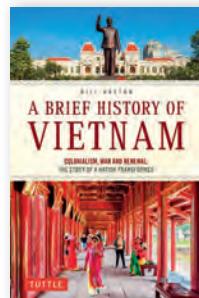
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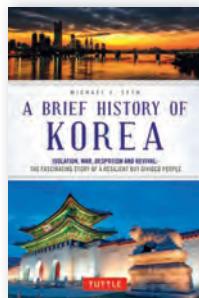


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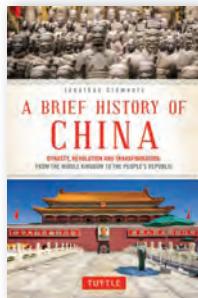
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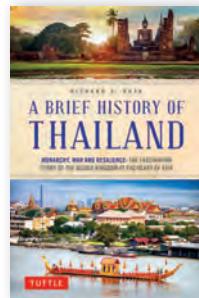
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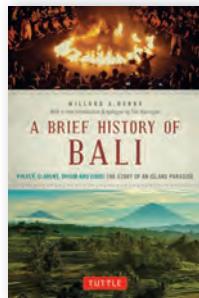
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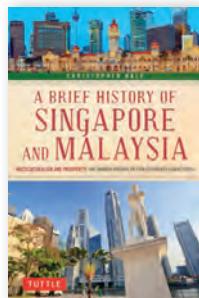
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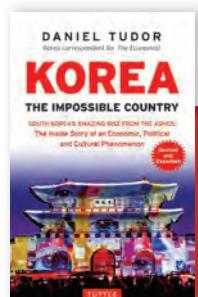


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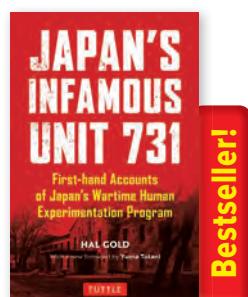
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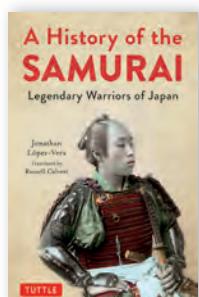
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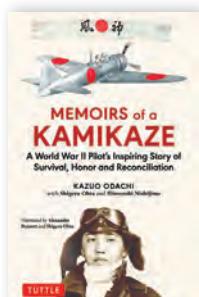


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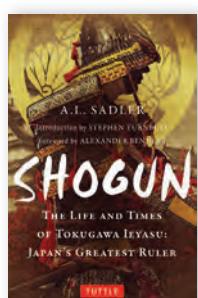
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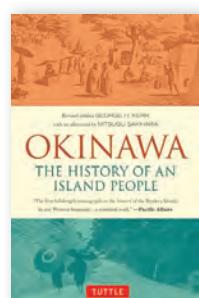
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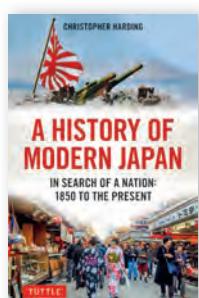
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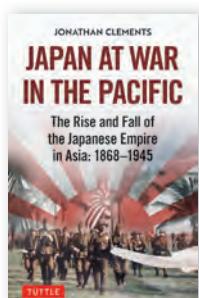
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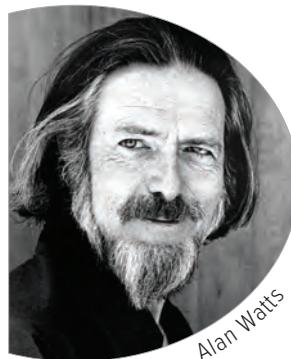
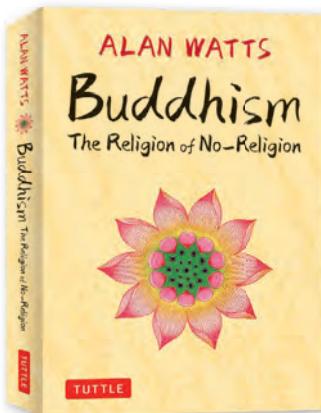
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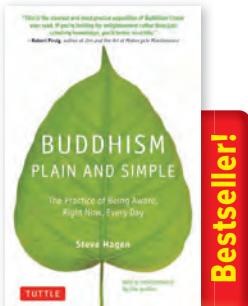
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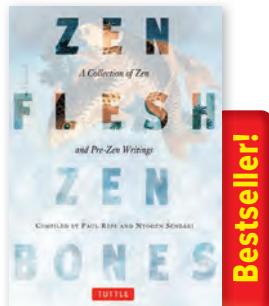
**Alan Watts** was a former Episcopal priest, born in London in 1915. He came to the U.S. in the 1930s, where he would become a scholar of Eastern religions. He moved to San Francisco in 1951 where he began teaching Buddhist studies, and in 1956 began his popular radio show, *Way Beyond the West*. By the early 1960s, Alan's radio talks aired nationally and the counterculture movement adopted him as a spiritual spokesperson. He went on to write more than twenty other books. He died in 1973.

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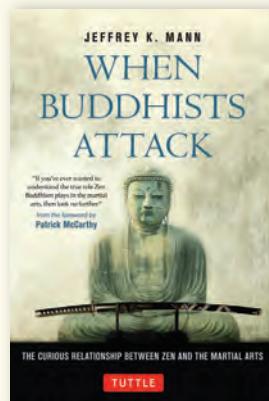
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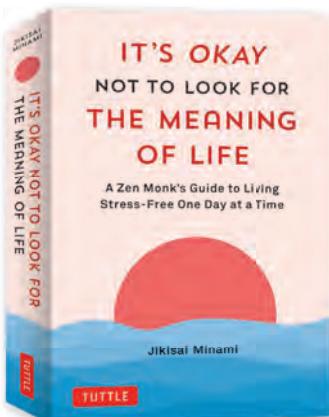
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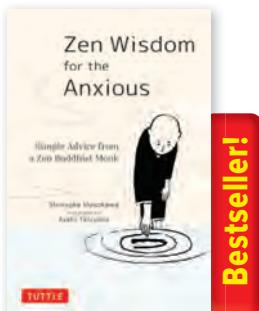
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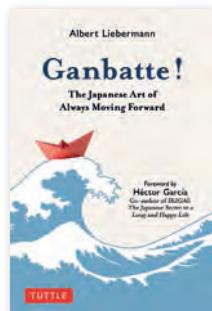
**Jikisai Minami** is a Zen monk and chief priest of the Reisenji Temple in Fukui Prefecture as well as head of the Osorezan Bodaiji Temple in Aomori Prefecture. In 1984 he decided to become a priest and entered Eiheiji, the head temple of the Soto sect of Buddhism, where he spent two decades training. After managing the Shishikurin Sanga training dojo for young priests, he began writing books discussing his relationship with Buddhism and his views on life. *It's Okay Not to Look for the Meaning of Life* is his most popular work to date, and the first to be translated into English.

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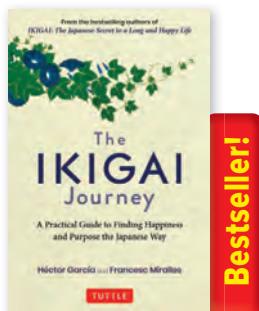


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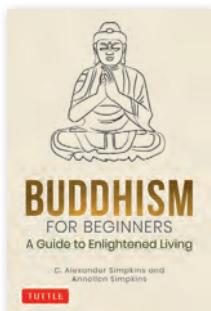


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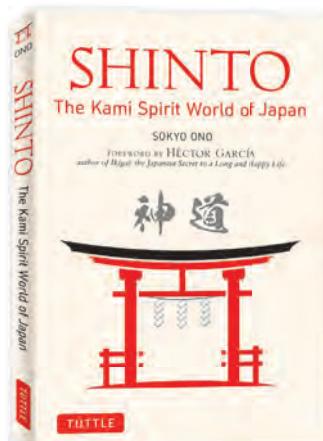
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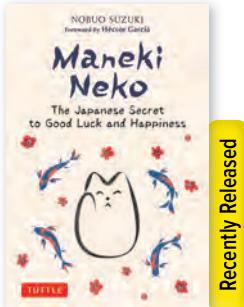
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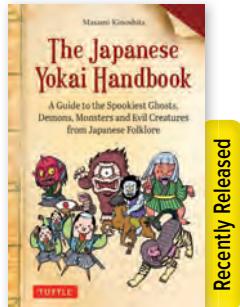


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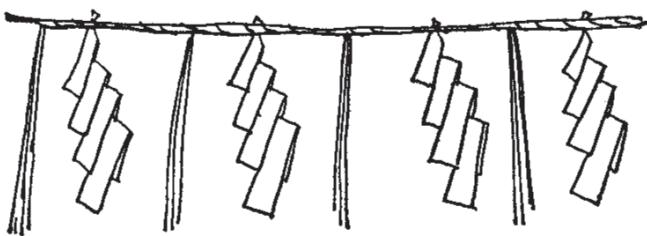


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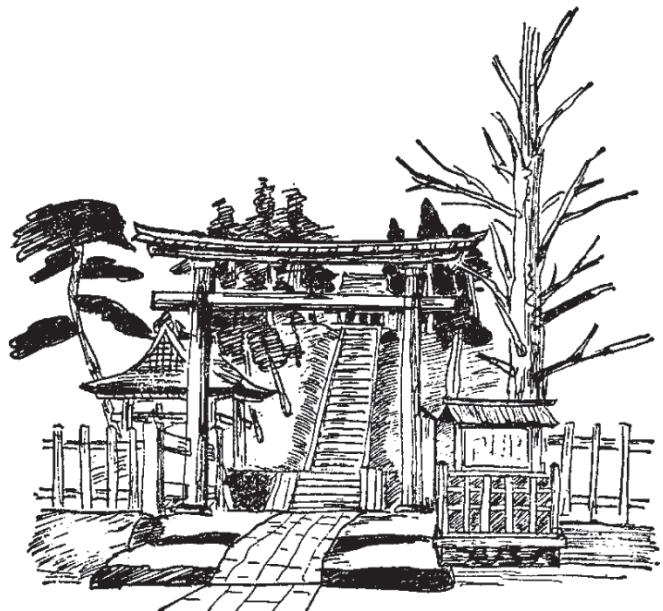
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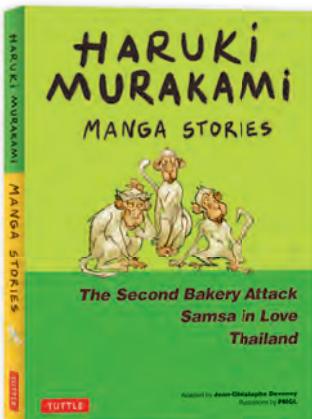
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These new graphic versions of classic Murakami short stories will be devoured by his fans and will provide a new window onto his work for younger readers not yet familiar with it!

**Haruki Murakami's** first novel, *Hear the Wind Sing*, won the Gunzou Literature Prize in 1979. He is the author of many novels including *Norwegian Wood*, *Sputnik Sweetheart* and *Kafka on the Shore*. He has published three collections of short stories: *The Elephant Vanishes*, *After the Quake* and *Blind Willow, Sleeping Woman*.

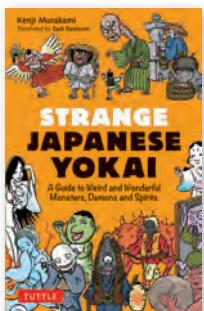
**Jc Deveney's** comic book adaptations have been published in Italy, Spain, England, USA, Japan and Argentina. He organizes international projects and comics exhibitions. He taught scriptwriting for comics and animation for fifteen years.

**PMGL (Pierre-Marie Grille-Liou)** illustrates magazines and underground comix, and publishes comic strips, short stories and feature comics. He also teaches human morphology and anatomy to animators and videogame artists.

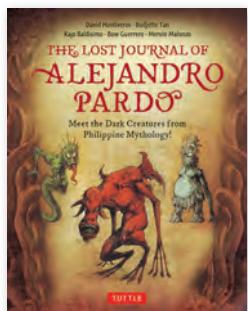
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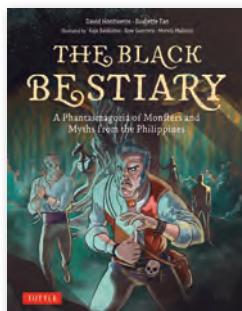
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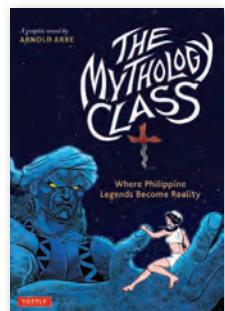
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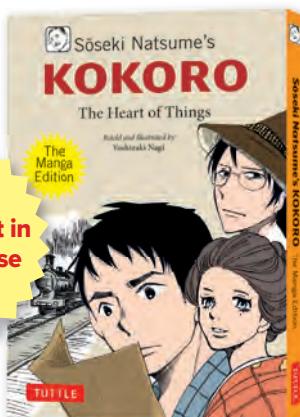
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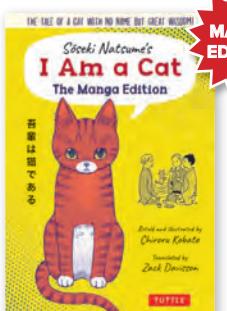
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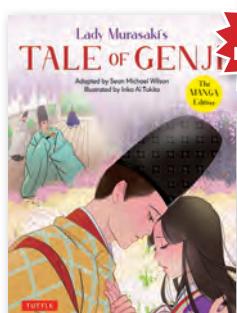


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**Sōseki Natsume** was born in Tokyo in 1867. He taught English in a small town before studying for three years in England. Returning to teach at Tokyo University, he began his writing career soon after. He is the most popular novelist in Japan and the only Japanese author always referred to by his first name (Sōseki).

**Nagi Yoshizaki** is a Japanese manga artist who has illustrated many graphic novels in his native Japan. The works he is best known for include *Atashi*, *Hitori...*, *Zettai Triangle Love* and *For You, My Beloved*.



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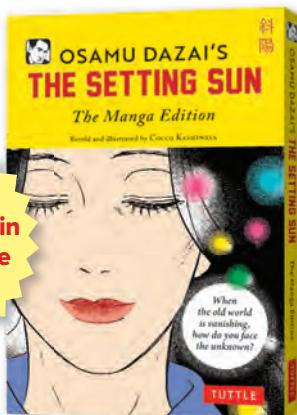
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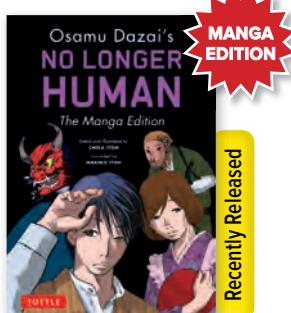
This is the first manga version of Dazai's classic novel *The Setting Sun*, considered by many to be his greatest masterpiece. Set in the aftermath of World War II, it is the story of Kazuko—a strong-willed woman from an aristocratic family that has fallen into poverty. The book follows her journey as she and her family struggle to survive and adapt to the harsh new conditions. In addition to moving from the city to the countryside, where she is forced to work in the fields, she has to deal with a difficult divorce, the birth of a stillborn child and the return of her drug-addicted brother from the war.

**Osamu Dazai** (1909-1948) studied French literature at the University of Tokyo, eventually leaving without a degree. He first attracted attention in 1933 when magazines began to publish his work. Between 1930 and 1937, he made three suicide attempts, a subject he deals with in many of his short stories. Despite his troubled life and rebellious spirit, Dazai wrote in a simple and colloquial style, conveying his own experiences. Dazai's life ended early in a double suicide with a married lover.

**Cocco Kashiwaya**, born in 1970, is a Tokyo-based manga artist. In 2010, her manga series *Rikon Dokyo* was made into a national TV drama in Japan.



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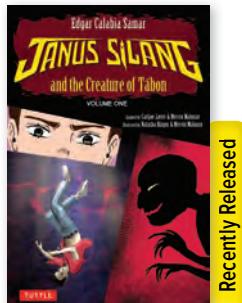
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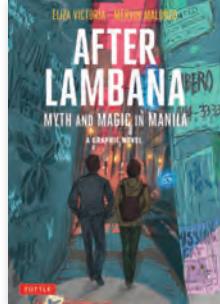


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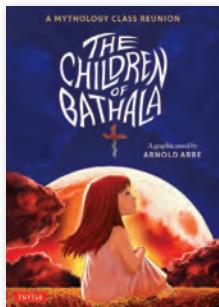


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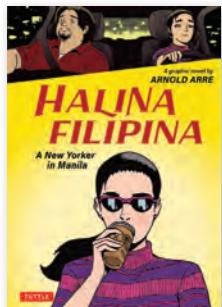
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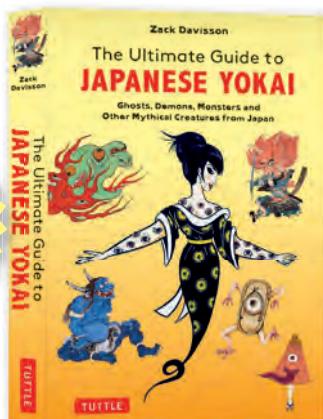
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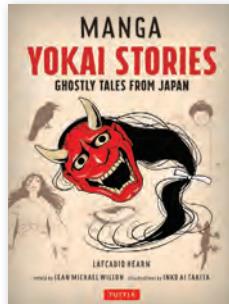
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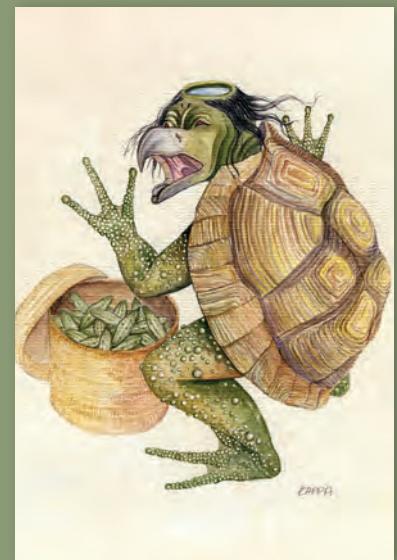
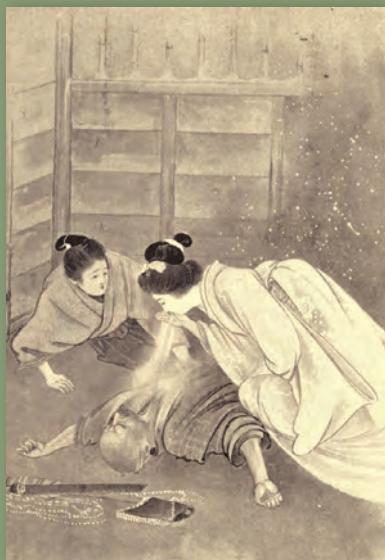
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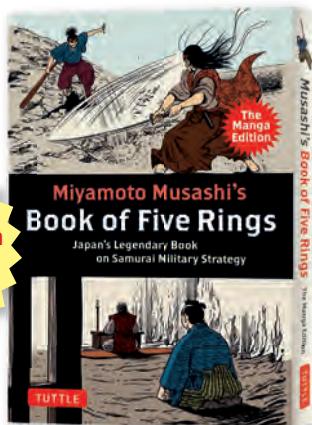
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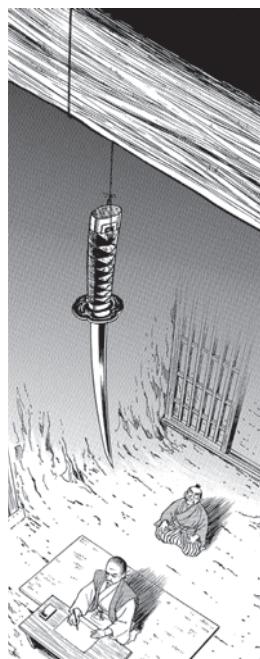
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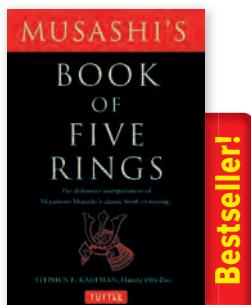
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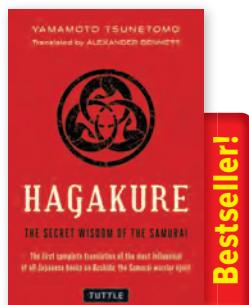
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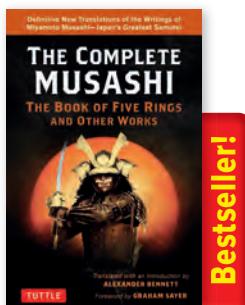
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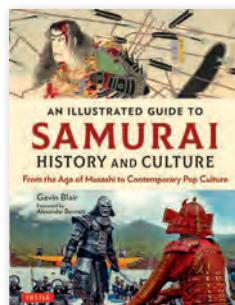
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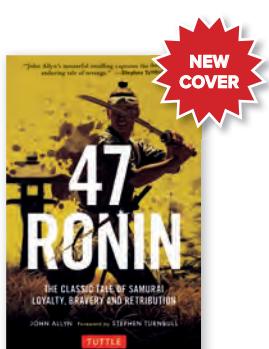
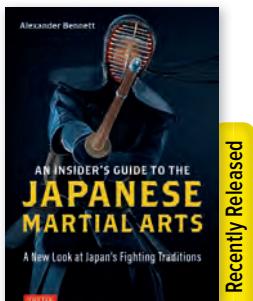
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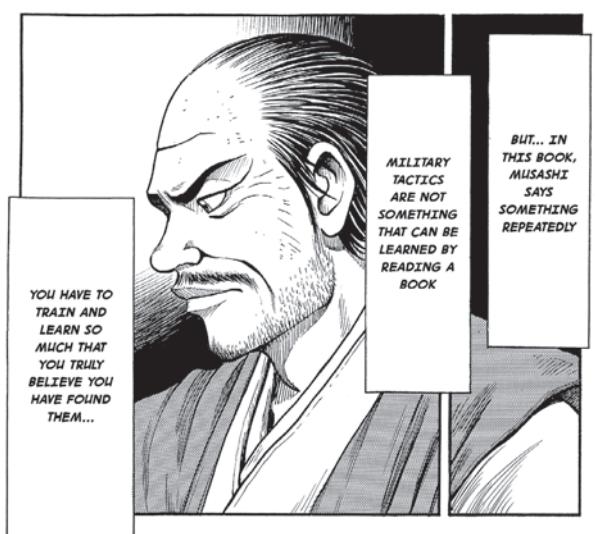


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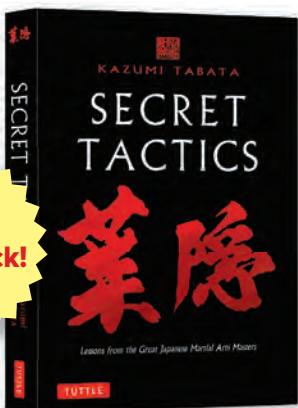
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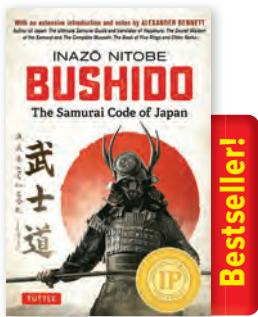
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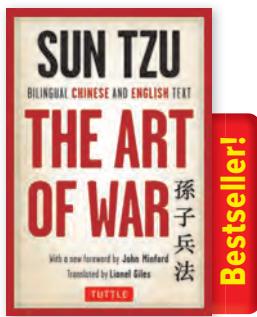
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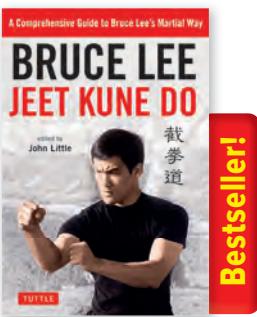
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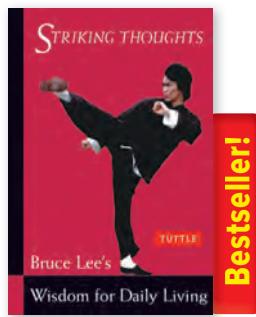
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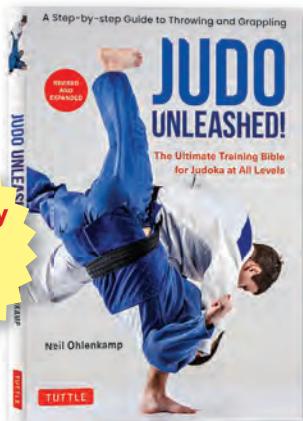
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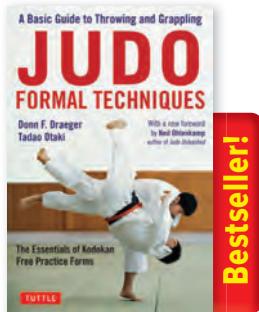
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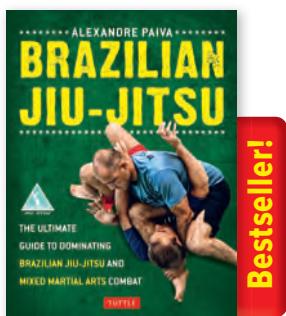
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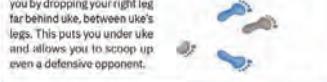
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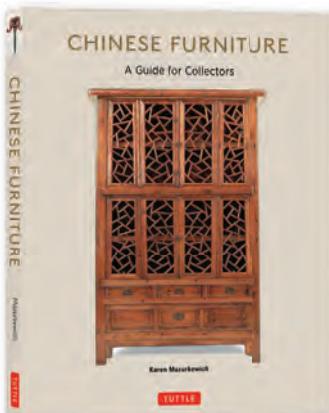
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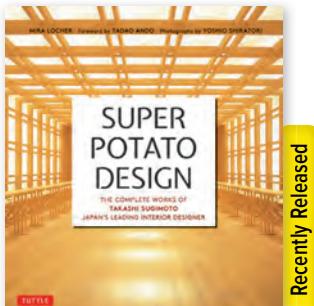
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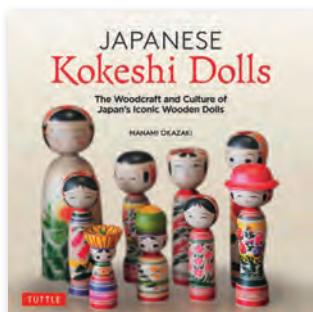
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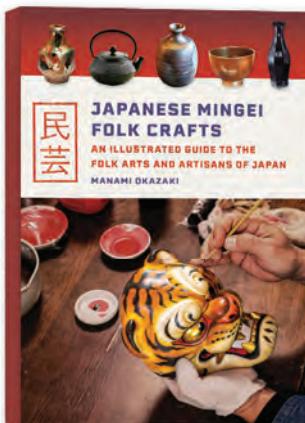
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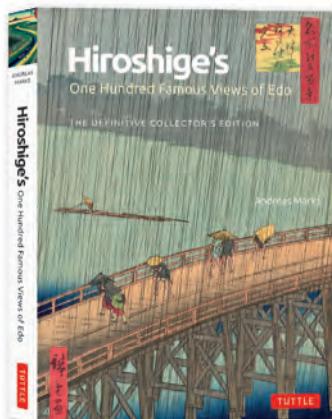
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Utagawa Hiroshige's unique landscape series *One Hundred Famous Views of Edo* (modern-day Tokyo), first published in the 1850s, is among the best-known collections of Japanese prints and was revolutionary in its day. Individual prints from this collection are regarded as among the finest works in all of Japanese art.

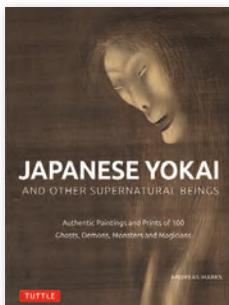
In this series, Hiroshige captures 118 locations in and around Edo, today's Tokyo, during all four seasons and often from hitherto unknown and unique perspectives. These views were first printed in exquisite luxury versions, incorporating innovative printing techniques like color gradation. No complete set of the deluxe versions exists today and this is the first book to present a complete set of the deluxe early printings, sourced from 32 different museums and private collections.

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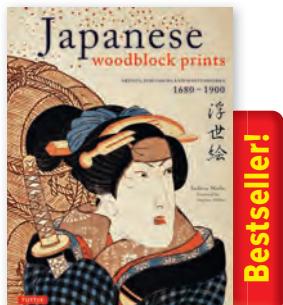
Marks' introduction discusses the genesis of the series in the context of Japanese landscape art as well as Hiroshige's personal biography. The book then presents all 118 prints together with their source materials and a map showing the locations of each view, followed by a detailed appendix discussing the great color variations found in subsequent printings of the series.

**Dr. Andreas Marks** is the Mary Griggs Burke Curator of Japanese and Korean Art and Director of the Clark Center for Japanese Art at the Minneapolis Institute of Art. From 2008 to 2013 he was the Director and Chief Curator of the Clark Center for Japanese Art and Culture in California. He has a Ph.D. from Leiden University and a master's degree in East Asian Art History from the University of Bonn. A specialist of Japanese woodblock prints, he is the author of over 20 books. He has received awards from the International Ukiyo-e Society and the International Fine Print Dealers Association.

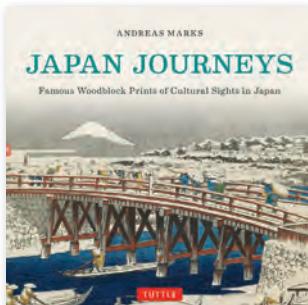
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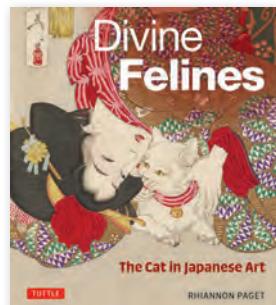


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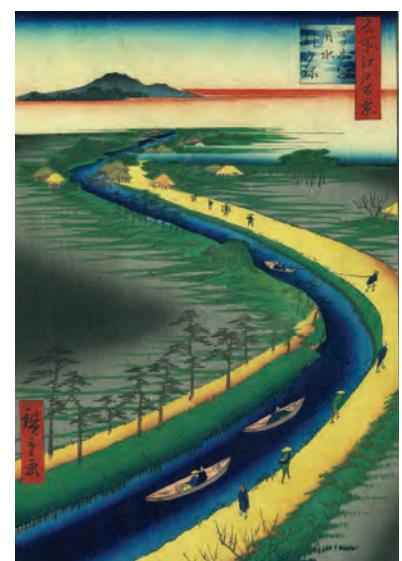
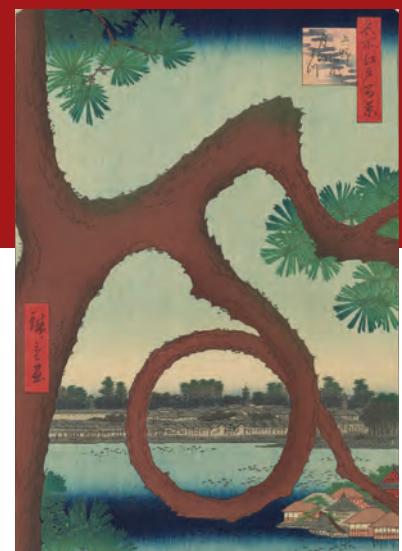
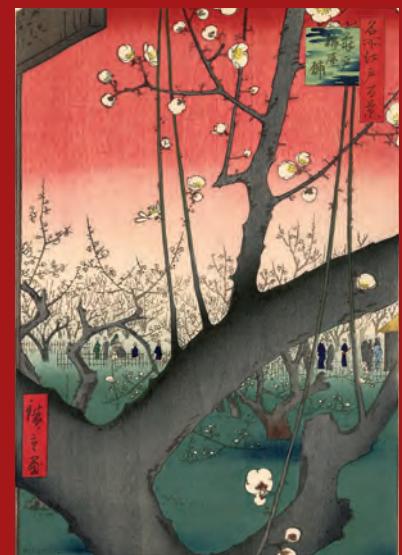
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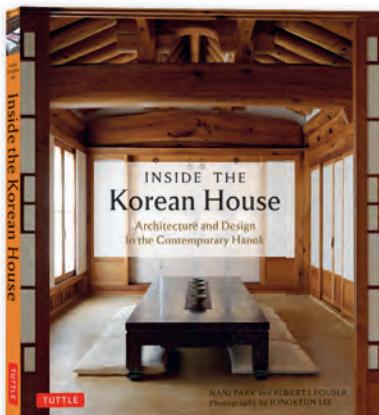
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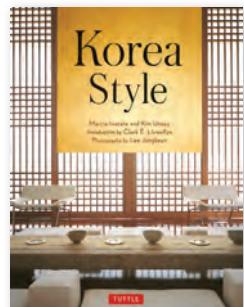
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**Nani Park** was born in Korea but grew up in Hawaii, which gives her a special perspective as both an insider and outsider in Korea. An award-winning illustrator and art educator, she has worked in the art industry for over two decades.

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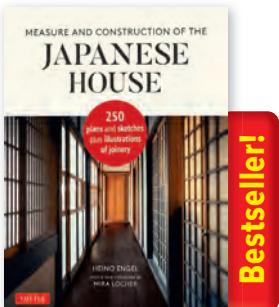
**Jongkeun Lee** is one of Korea's leading design and food photographers. He established his own studio, Apo Associates ([www.apo.co.kr](http://www.apo.co.kr)), in 1995 and contributes regularly to lifestyle magazines. His photographs are featured in *Korea Style*, also published by Tuttle Publishing.

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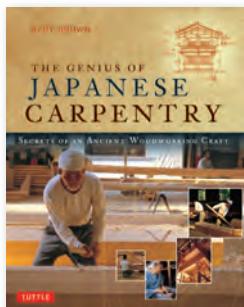
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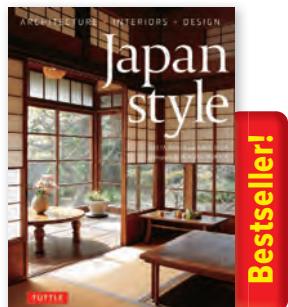


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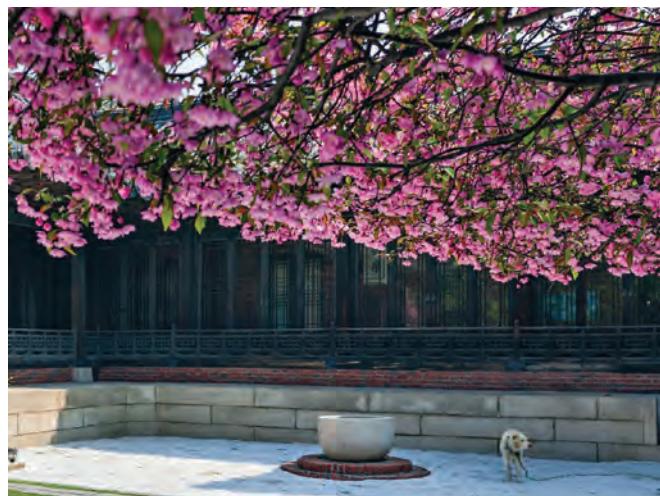
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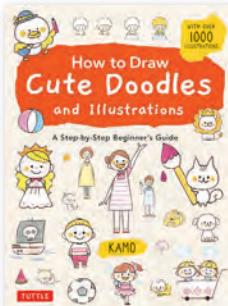
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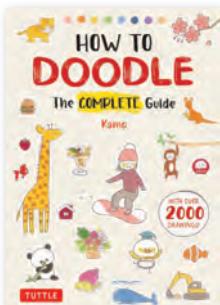


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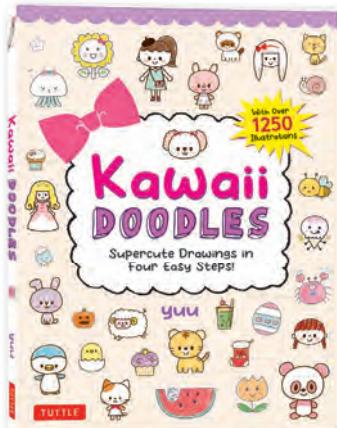


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**Yuu** is an Osaka native who has worked as a nutritionist, an event planner and a freelance illustrator. Her artistic endeavors center on children’s books and educational material. Her work is created to be simple and honest, with a sense of fun. Learn more about her at: [blocks-web.com](http://blocks-web.com)



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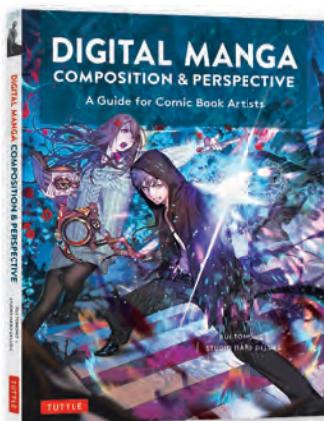
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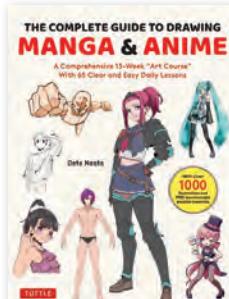


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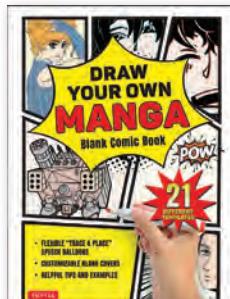


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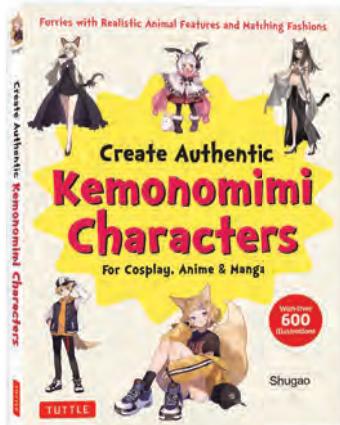
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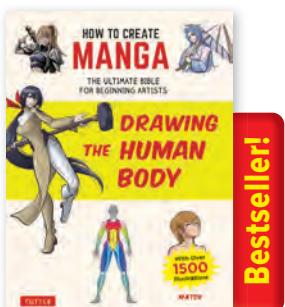
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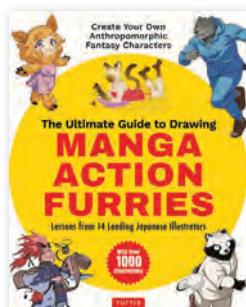
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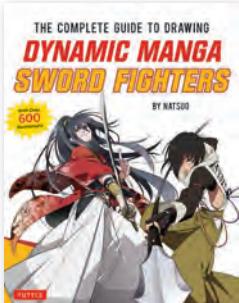
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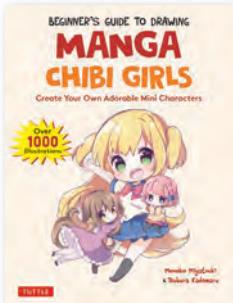
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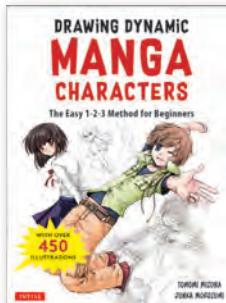
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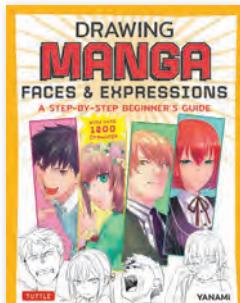
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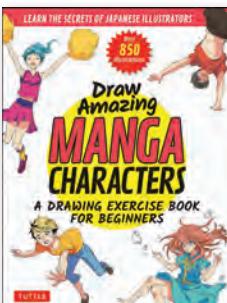
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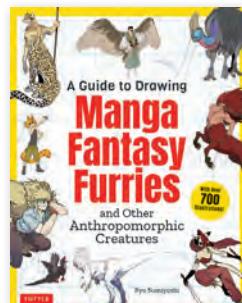


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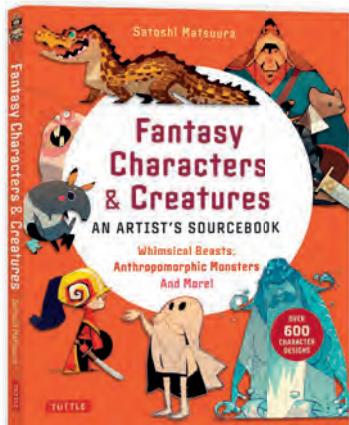
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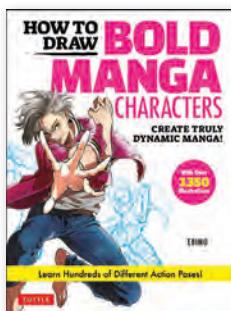
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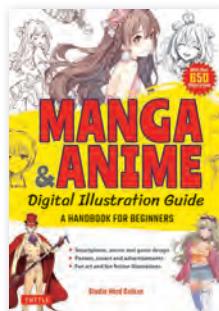


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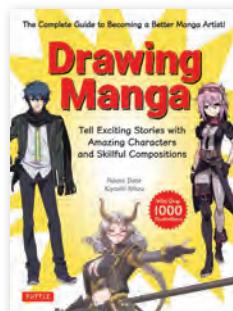
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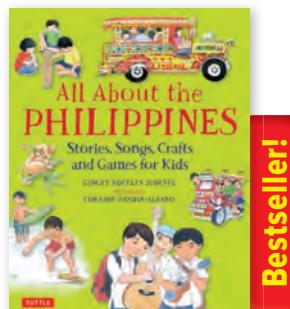
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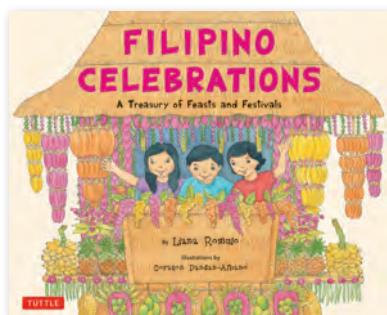


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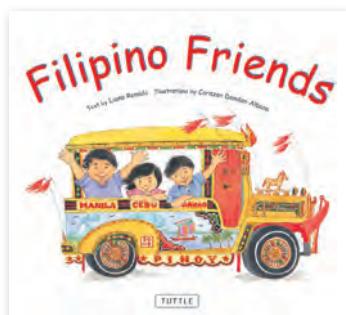
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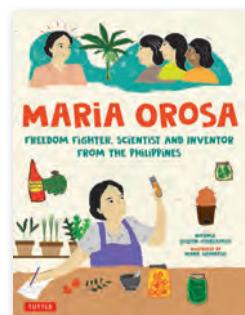
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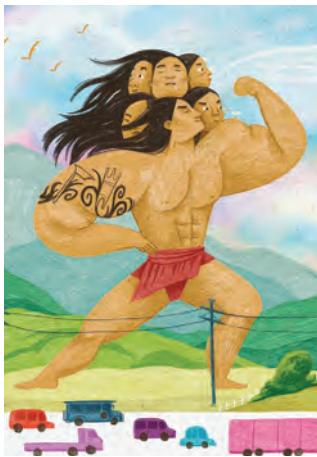
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**Boroka** [bo-re-ka]  
TYPE: ASWANNA | ORIGIN: ILONGCO

By day, the Boroka is an attractive women, with long hair and fair skin, but at night, it sprouts bird-like wings, and its upper torso detaches from its lower body. The Boroka likes to eat young children, and is especially fond of their hearts. If a child is captured while it is asleep, it will leave a kidnapped child alive to keep as a slave. If the child proves to be obedient and trustworthy, the Boroka will treat it to a special breakfast of fresh human heart and liver every day.

—DANI FLORENDO

Si araw, ang Boroka ay isang taasik-skit na dili ng may mahalang buhok at mapiling bulat, ngunit sa gabi ay tinutubos ito ng mga pakpak, at nahahati ang itas na babuhag ng hirap. Ang iba kaya ang iba, ang iba pa. Medyo na bata ang hilig kaming ng Boroka, at paborito nito ang puwo at stay nila. Ang batang hindi nito kinakabahan, malinip nito. At kung mapanatayang ng bata na siya ay matutubos at makita ang iba, ang iba ay ganap na pagkakaroonan ng Borsoka ng lisang espadyal na okusual ng sarwing punto at atay ng tao kinsusahagan.

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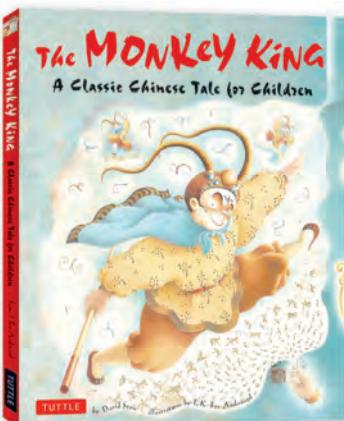
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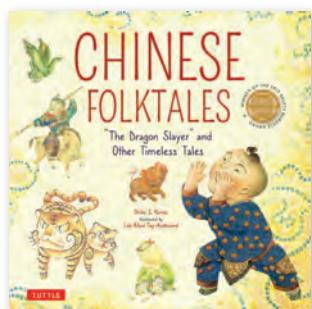
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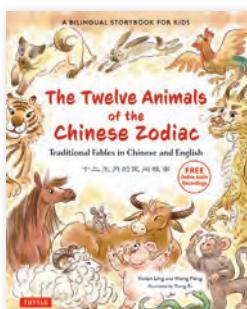


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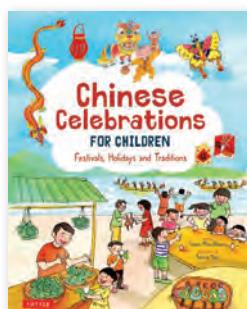
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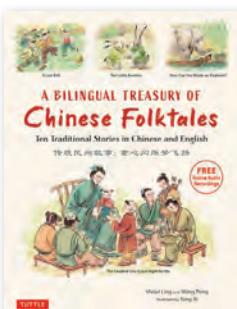


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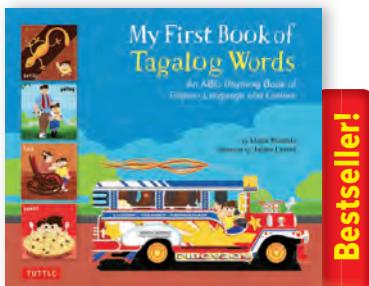
children. But in the end, their loyalty to each other and dedication to their common goal ultimately win the day.

The most beloved character in this story is of course the hilarious Monkey—mischievous and full of energy, constantly on the move and constantly creating problems for the others. But Monkey has amazing magical powers that enable him to transform himself into other living beings and to summon an army of monkeys to his side at a moment's notice. Much to the consternation of his comrades, however, he is always boasting about his abilities. But in the end he is the one who saves them.

**David Seow** was born and raised in Singapore. He studied at Anglo-Chinese School, Oregon Episcopal School, and subsequently the University of Portland. After a stint as a sitcom writer with an award-winning television series, he embarked on a career in children's literature. David is the author of twenty-three well-received children's books, including *The Littlest Emperor*.

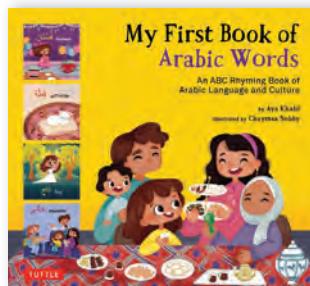
**Lak-Khee Tay-Audouard** is an award-winning book illustrator who has several children's books to her credit, including *Singapore Children's Favorite Stories* and *Adventures of the Treasure Fleet*. Working at the International French School gives her the opportunity to connect continually with young children. In her illustrations, Lak-Khee tries to recapture the sense of wonder and fun that most of us lose in the process of growing up. To give these whimsical colored pencil illustrations an antique feel, bamboo rag paper has been carefully stained with crushed tea leaves. Lak-Khee continues to work with organic materials and is constantly surprised to find beauty in simple mundane stuff.

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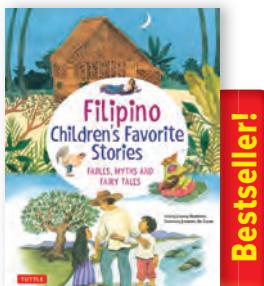
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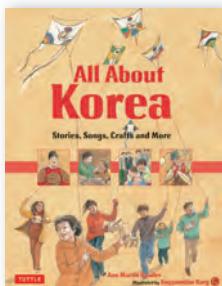
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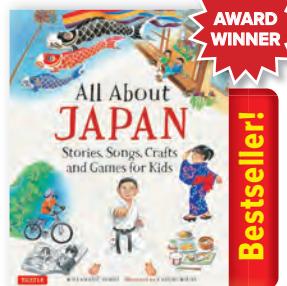
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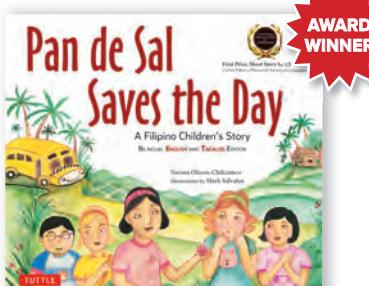
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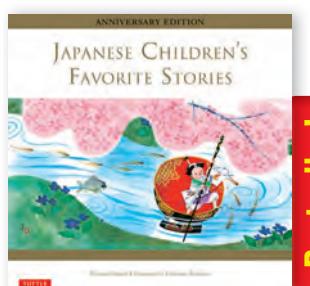
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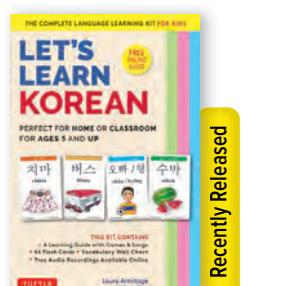
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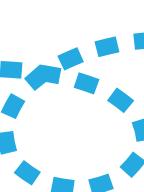
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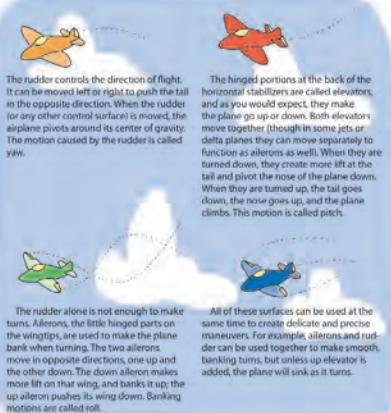
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The hinged portions at the back of the horizontal stabilizers are called elevators, and as you would expect, they make the plane go up or down. Both elevators move together (though in some jets or delta planes they can move separately to function as ailerons as well). When they are turned down, they create more lift at the tail and push the nose of the plane down. When they are turned up, the nose goes up, and the plane climbs. This motion is called pitch.

All of these surfaces can be used at the same time to create delicate and precise maneuvers. For example, ailerons and rudder can be used together to make smooth, banking turns, but unless an elevator is added, the plane will sink as it turns.

The rudder alone is not enough to make turns. Ailerons, the little hinged parts on the wingstips, are used to make the plane bank when turning. The two ailerons move in opposite directions, one up and one down. When the down aileron makes more lift on that wing, and banks it up, the up aileron pushes its wing down. Banking motions are called roll.

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Paper airplanes often don't have separate tails or fins like real planes, so there are no ailerons or rudders to use. Instead, you have to control the roll and pitch of the wings. But that's not a big problem. Bend both sides up or down to control pitch, and one side up or down than the other to control roll and yaw. Easy, once you know how it works!

If your plane circles inside one that rises faster than the plane sticks, it will clash with the air like an eagle or seagull.

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## Voyager

Paper is easy to fold. It holds creases fairly well, but after a while it starts to relax and unfold again. Paper airplanes fly fine when they are fresh and crisp, but as the paper begins to relax, they become puffy and loose. One way to stop this is to use a lock in the nose to hold everything together. For this plane, I have borrowed world record holder Taku Toda's excellent nose lock mechanism. It might seem tricky to fold at first, but it soon becomes familiar and easy to do, and the difference in performance is worth it!

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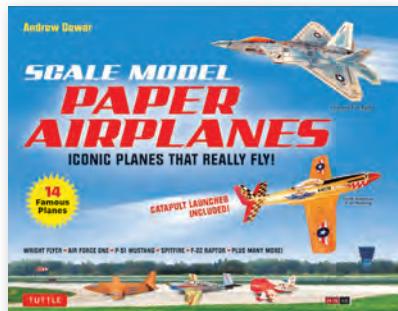
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4 Mountain fold the plane in half.

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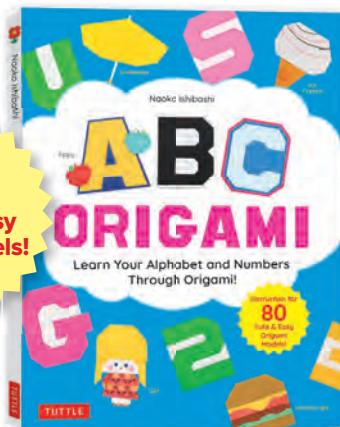
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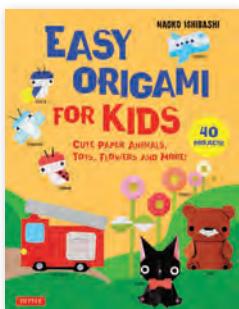
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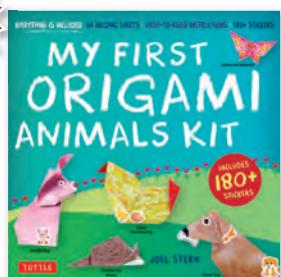


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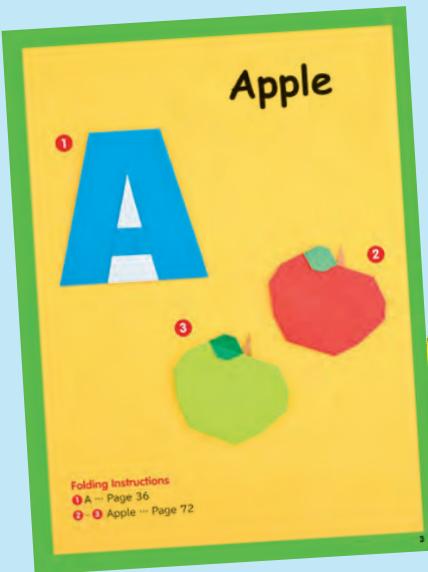
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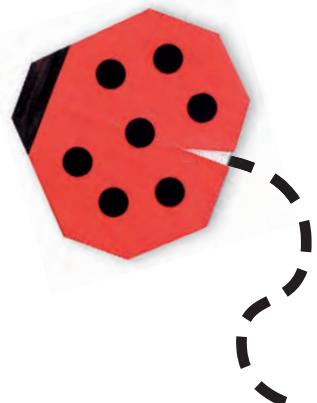
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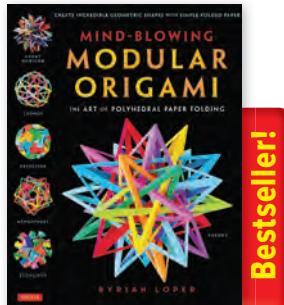
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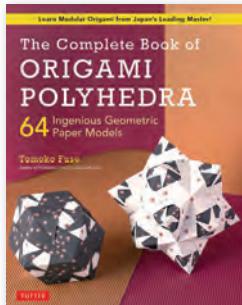
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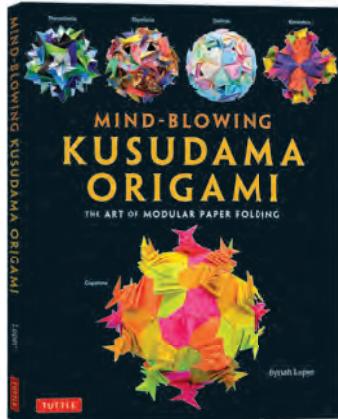
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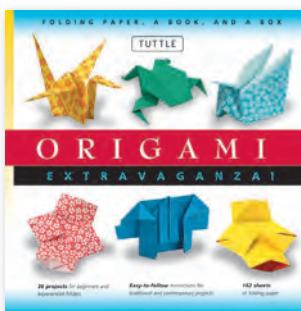
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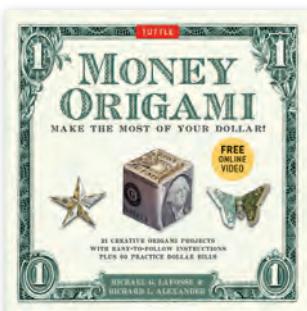
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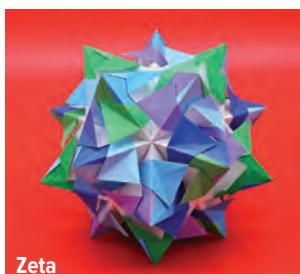
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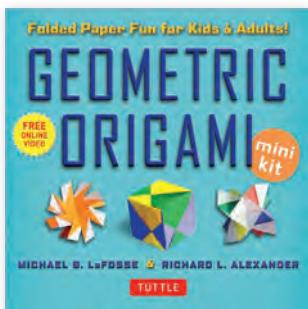


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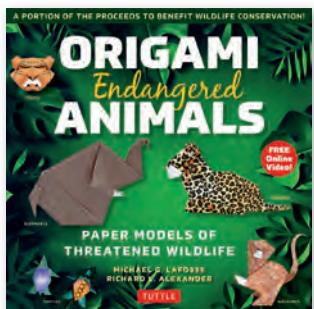
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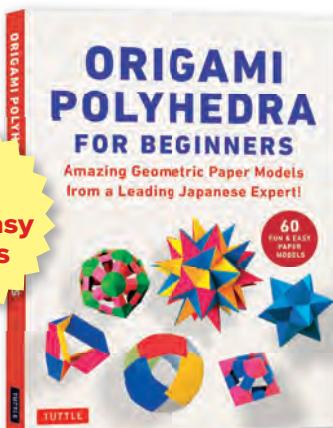
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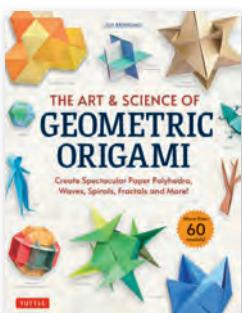
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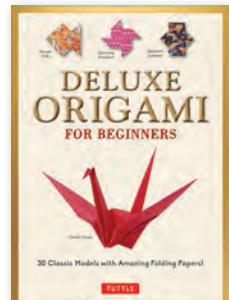
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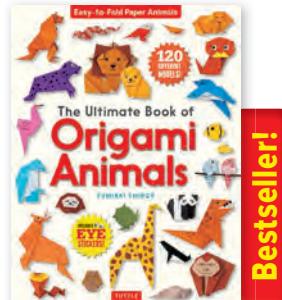
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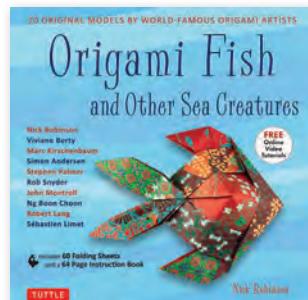
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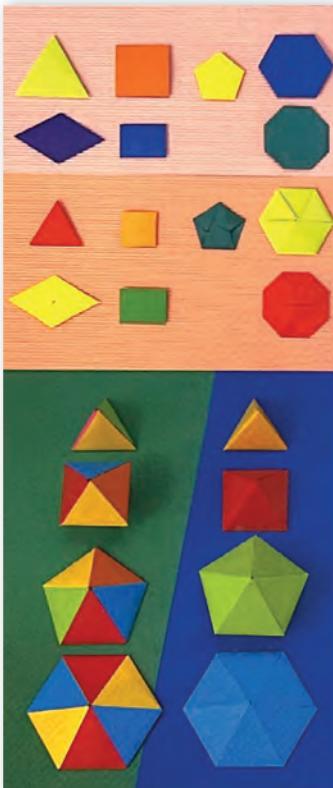
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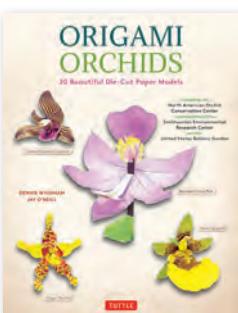
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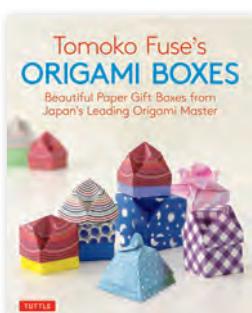
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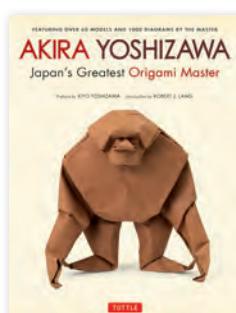
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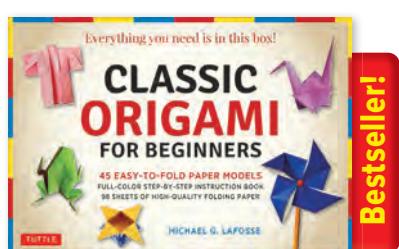


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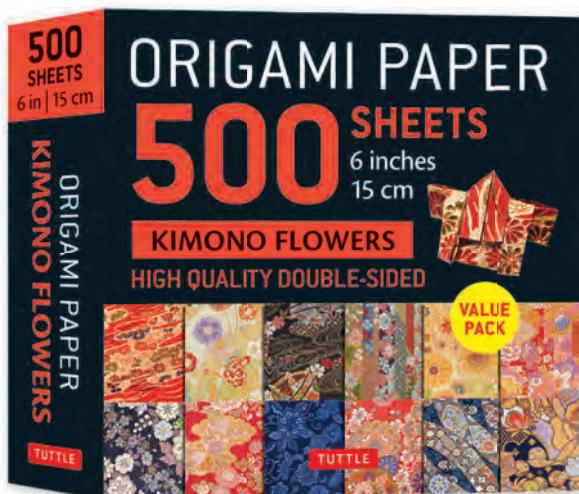


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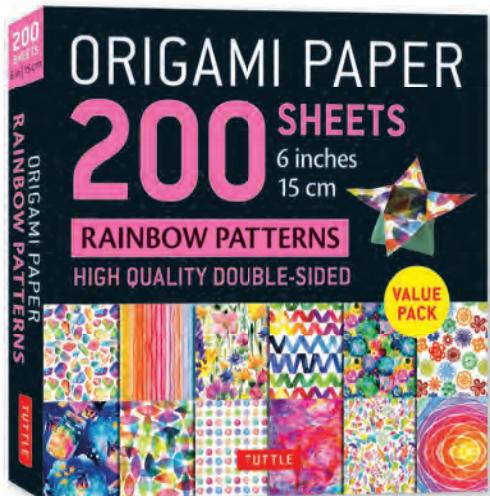


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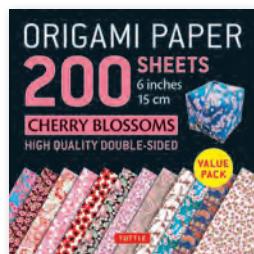
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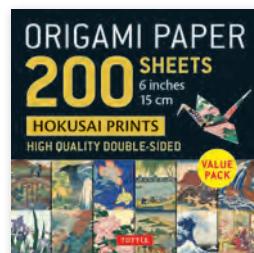
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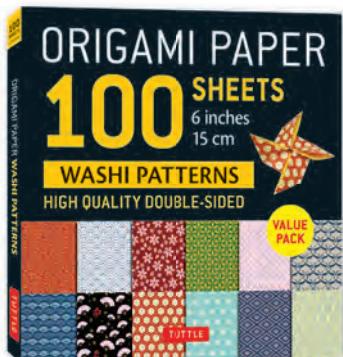


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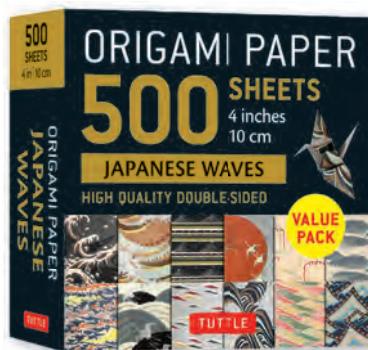
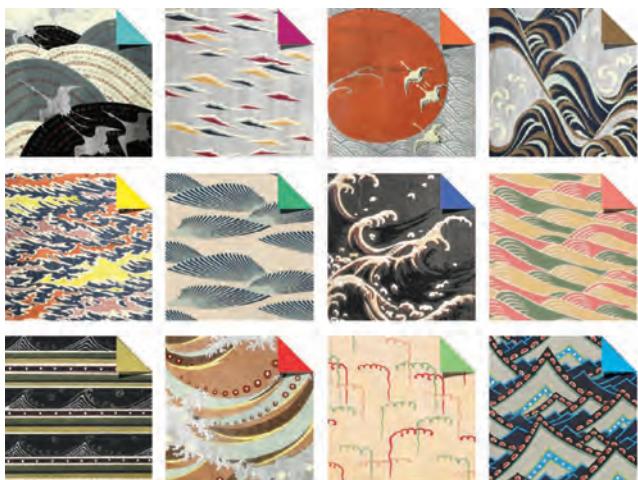
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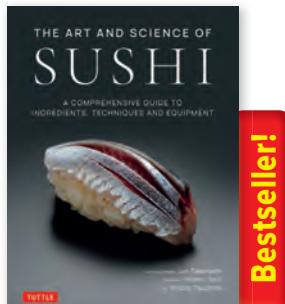
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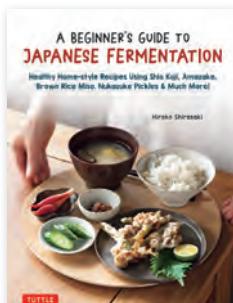


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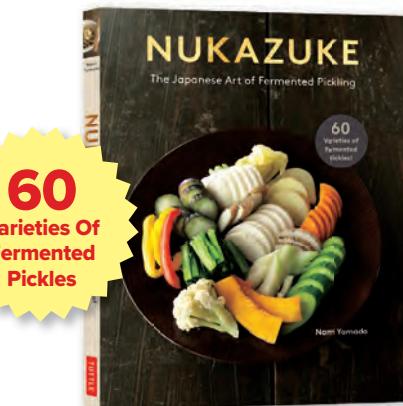


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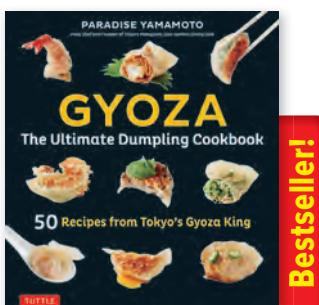
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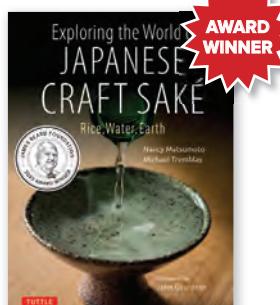
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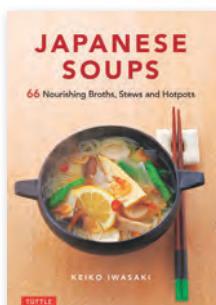
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### Basic Nukazuke Pickling Bed Ingredients

Because it's a nukazuke pickling bed is simple, we want to be particular about the ingredients.

- Salt:** Preferably 50–120% salt to bran. Natural sea salt containing minerals is recommended.
- Raw Rice Bran:** Freshly milled, premium organic rice bran. If raw bran is not available, stored bran may be used.
- Water:** Adjust the amount of water according to the condition of the bran. Add more water if dry, less water if wet. Brine water is good at 1 liter (34 fl oz) per 1 kg of pickling bed.
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- Dried Kombu Seasoned, Red Chili Peppers:** Kombu seaweed, which adds umami flavor, and chili peppers, which have antiseptic and anti-oxidizing effects, are always used in the pickling bed.

### Ingredients to Add Flavor to the Pickling Bed

Add optional ingredients as desired to create your own original pickling bed!

- Katsuobushi (skipjack tuna or bonito flakes):** Rich in umami. Add about 1 tablespoon of finely shredded katsuobushi to 3 liters (10 fl oz) of pickling bed.
- Dried shiitake mushrooms:** Add the dried stems of the umami ingredient w/ 1 piece per 1 kg of pickling bed.
- Yuzu:** Add 1 whole ripe yuzu fruit or 1/2 cup of yuzu juice. Squeeze off the zest before adding the juice to the pickling bed, and add about 1 tablespoon.
- Garlic:** It is an excellent antiseptic ingredient. If the combi is added, the entire bran will smell bad, so use only 1 clove per 1 kg of pickling bed.
- Sansho Pepper:** Sansho pepper has unique properties that give it a unique aroma. Quickly blanch them in hot water, then add them to the pickling bed. It is best to prepare them in batches and freeze them until June, when the green berries are at their peak.
- Ginger:** Add thin slices for antimicrobial preservation and flavor. Absorb spoonful per liter of pickling bed.

Nukazuke Pickling Bed Ingredients

**Stir Fried Summer Vegetables and Pork with Soybean Miso**

Sour old pickled vegetables go so well with rich soybean miso. The punchy spicy and sour taste is so appetizing.

**SERVES 2**

1 small old pickled eggplant  
1 old pickled red bell pepper  
1 old pickled yellow bell pepper  
About 100 g (300 g) thinly sliced pork belly  
1 garlic clove

**A Ingredients**

1 tablespoon soybean miso (or other miso)  
1/2 teaspoon sake  
1 tablespoon mirin  
1/2 teaspoon dashi-jiru (Chinese spicy bean paste, available at Asian grocery stores)  
Sesame oil

Additional sesame oil for cooking

4. Rinse the pickling bed off the old eggplant and bell pepper pickles and drain. Cut into bite-sized pieces. Finely mince the garlic.  
5. Add some sesame oil to a frying pan over medium-low heat and stir-fry the garlic and pork.  
6. When the pork is cooked thoroughly, add the pickles from Step 1 and stir-fry.  
7. Add the A ingredients and mix quickly.

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Pickled both for an additional 12 hours in the summer and 1 day in the winter to make old pickles

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**Fat Sushi Roll**

Well-seasoned old nukazuke pickled vegetables are perfect for sushi. Since there is no need to pre-cook them, the ingredients used to fill the sushi roll can be used right out of the pickling bed.

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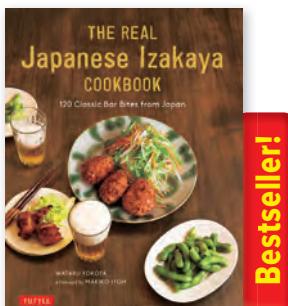
1. Rinse the pickling bed off the old pickles and drain. Cut the ingredients to the same length as the rice seaweed.  
2. Place the rice seaweed on one end of the nori sheet. Step 1 fillings in the center and roll. (If the vegetables are too short, you can combine several pieces.) Moisten a sharp knife with a wet kitchen cloth and cut the sushi roll into slices of your preferred size.

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Leave the pickled radish on additional 12 hours in the summer and an additional 1 day in the winter in the pickling bed to make old pickles.

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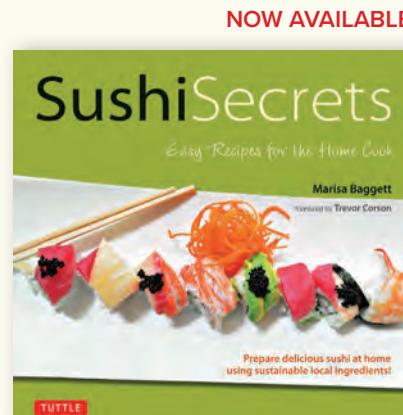
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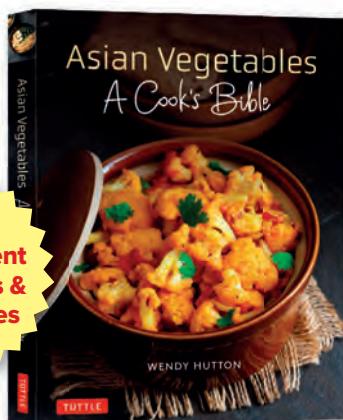
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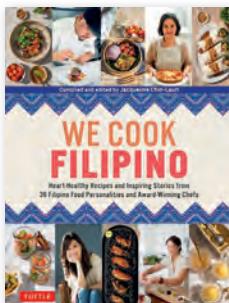
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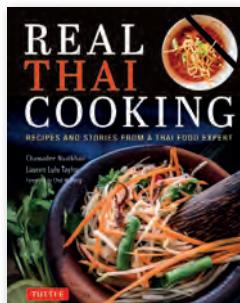


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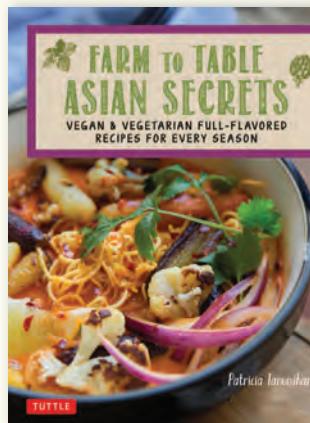
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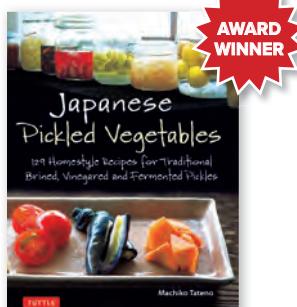
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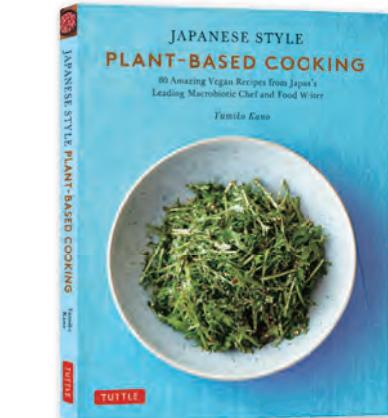


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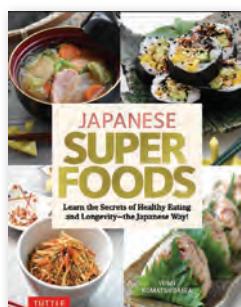
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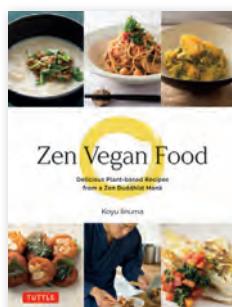
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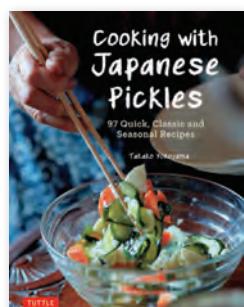
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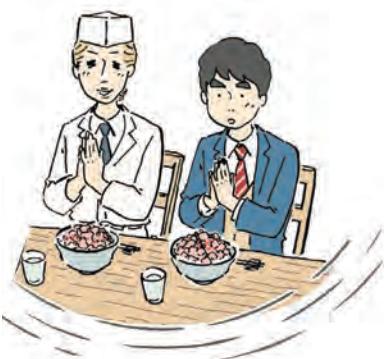
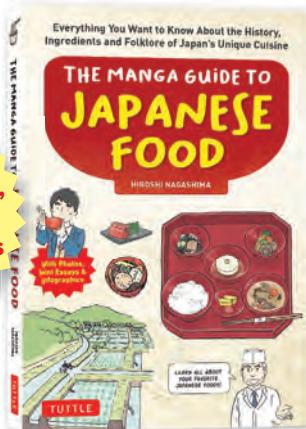
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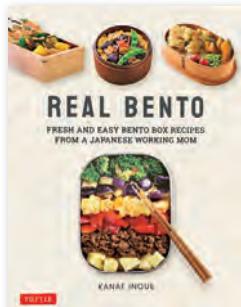
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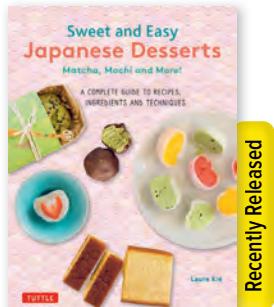
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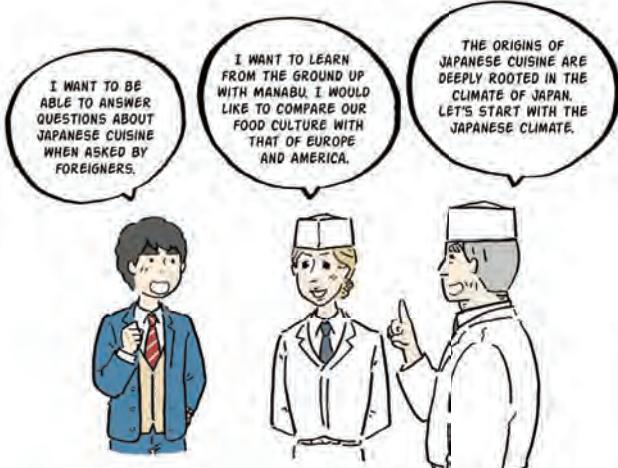
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February	February	February 3rd (Kagami-no-Sekku)	Kagami (rice cake)
March	March	March 3rd (Hinamatsuri)	Pomochi (sweet mochi with mugwort)
April	April	April 5th (Shirotsuru-no-Sekku)	Dohaku (rice wine)
May	May	May 5th (Tango (Shobu-no-Sekku))	Saké (rice wine)
June	June	June 7th (Kotoba-shiki (Kotoba-no-Sekku))	Cobushi (small fish wrapped in seaweed and steamed)
July	July	July 7th (Tanabata (Tanabata-no-Sekku))	Saké (rice wine)
August	August	August 15th (Chrysanthemum (Kiku-no-Sekku))	Botan (chrysanthemum petals)
September	September	September 9th (Chrysanthemum (Kiku-no-Sekku))	Karakuchi (shredded radish)

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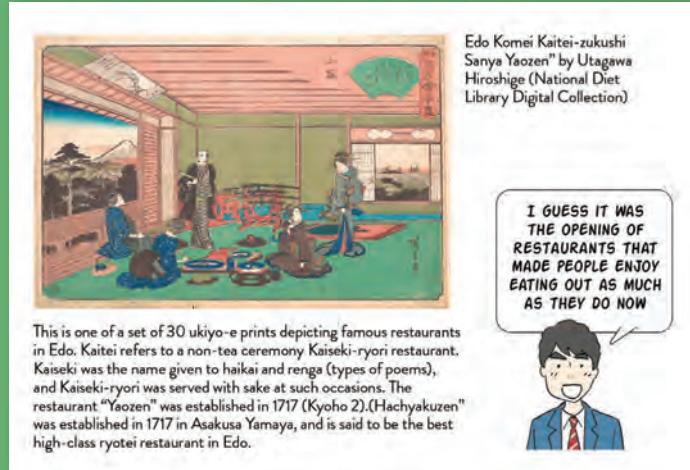
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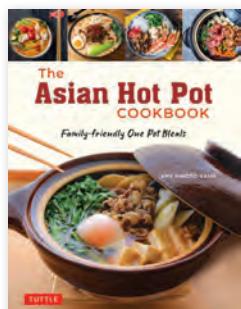
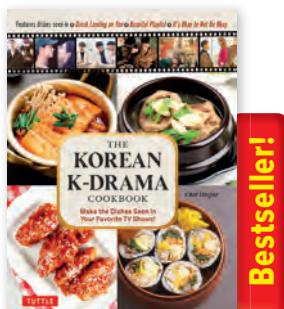
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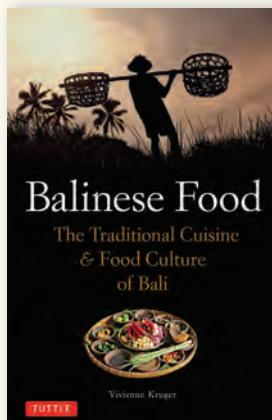


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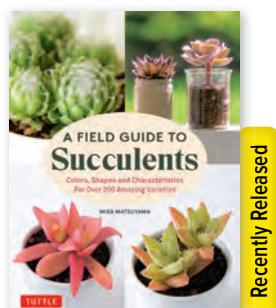
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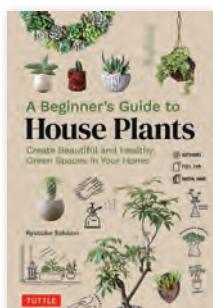
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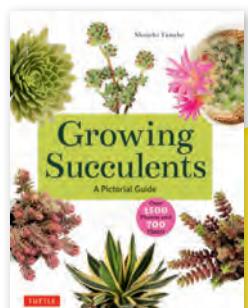
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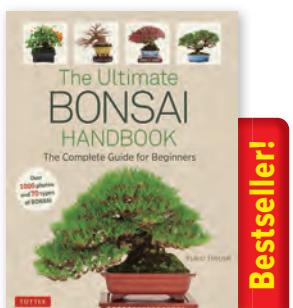


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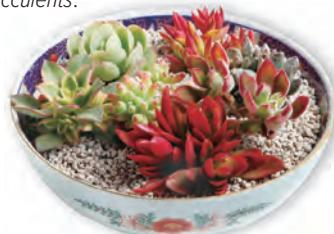
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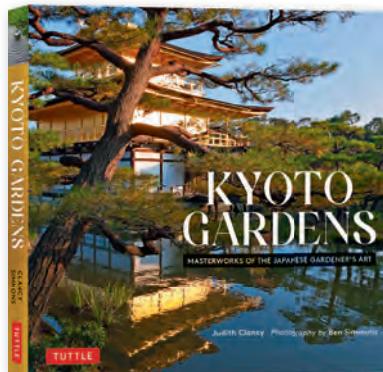
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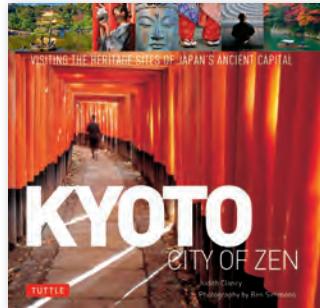
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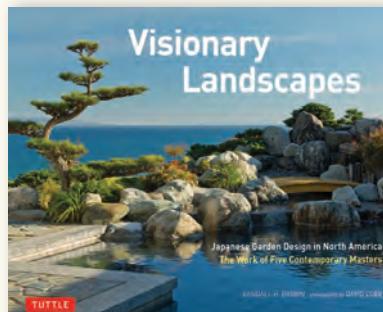
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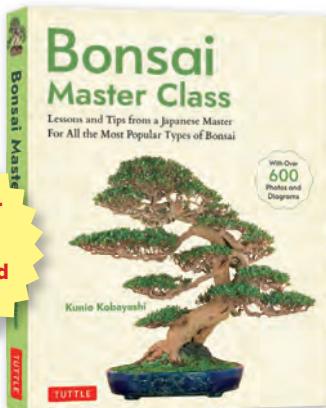
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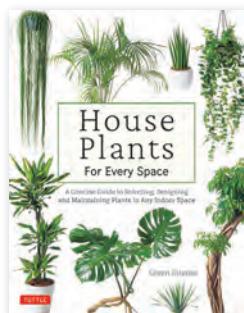
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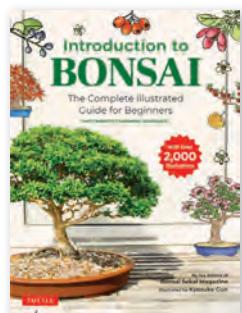
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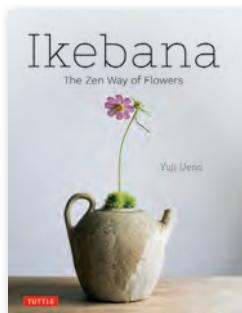
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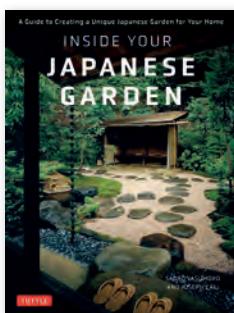
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### Creating shari (late February)



**1** Make the shari with the tree from the top jin. A hooked tool or similar tool is useful for shaving the bark of the trunk.



**2** Use a small hooked or similar tool to peel off areas where an original's scale was not present.

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After making the jin and shari, apply lime juice concentrate diluted with water with a brush. This will prevent the insect from eating the shaved parts from cutting; the coated areas will become pale while drying, making the jin and shari stand out.



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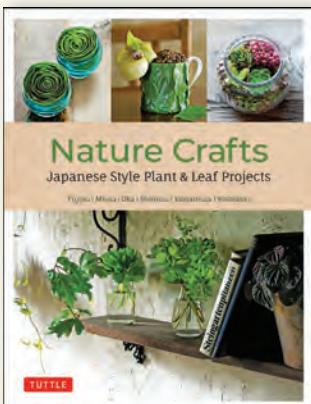


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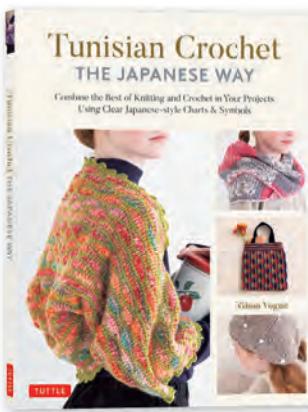
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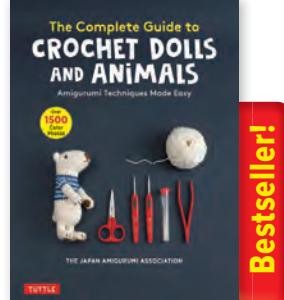
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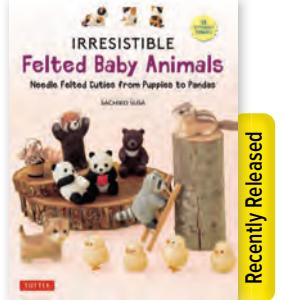


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### Crossbody Bag

When trapping, out for a walk, taking a walk, etc., it's a convenient, compact crossbody bag that can be carried around when you want to go minimal on luggage.

This retro-modern model used switch fabric reverses the process shown on page 33 using slipped stitches in brown and green.

Design: Amy Kramer

Foto: Holly Rowell

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### Large Shawl

We tried crocheting the same fabric as the adjoining page in animal fiber. Choose light, soft fibers because it comes in direct contact with your skin. You can wear it double draped over your shoulders, wrap it around your neck, or use it as a lap blanket—it's large size gives it many uses.

Design: Michelle Furukari

Language: English, Japanese

Yarn: Hamanaka Sonnenblume Alpaca Wool Yarn

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### Blanket

This domino stitch blanket in a traditional color palette is also wonderful for interior design.

The stitches at the edges are neatly finished, so it's OK without edges.

Lap blankets, bags, etc. You'll want to play around with colors by changing up the materials, sizes, and color palettes.

Design: Michelle Furukari

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### Pen Case

Start crocheting at the side panel, opposite to the book. Turn half clockwise then to the gutter of the opposite side.

Make four identical panels, then turn clockwise, insert a living fibula, and secure everything in place.

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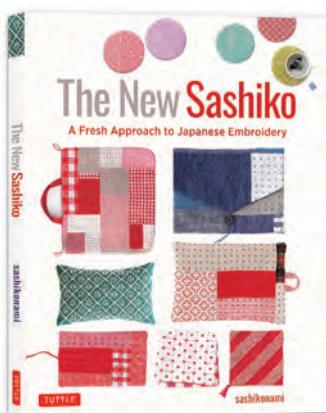
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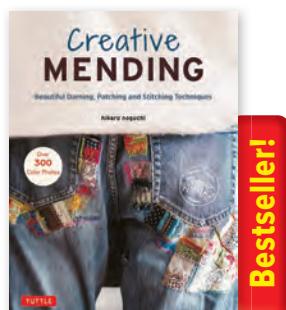
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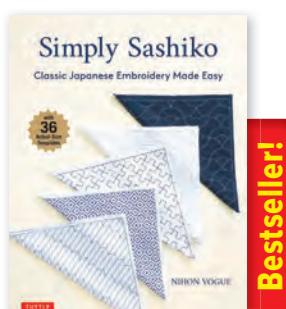
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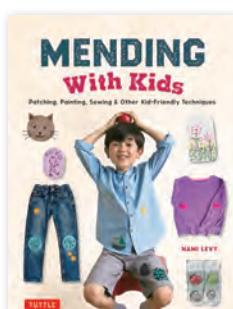
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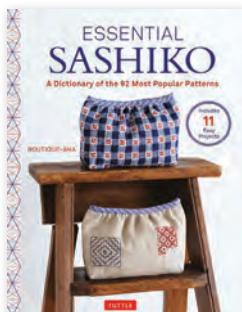
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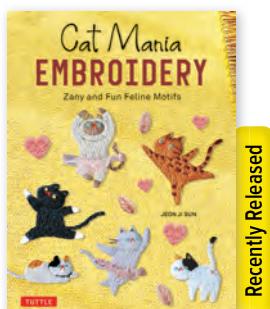
I chose cream as the highlight color for this long drawstring bag and decorated one section with a diagonal cross stitch. The bottom gusset makes it a sturdy storage bag. Attaching flexible interfacing to the outer layer before assembling gives it a solid integrity.

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#### Essentials Shoulder Bag

This shoulder bag is convenient for carrying around a smartphone, wallet, handkerchief and other essential personal items. Use whatever scraps you have at hand and decide how small or large the bag once you have joined all the pieces together; no fabric will be wasted.

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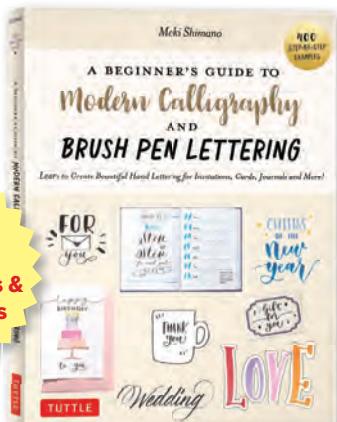
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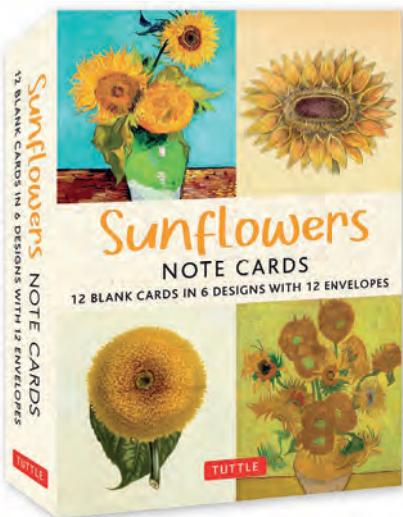
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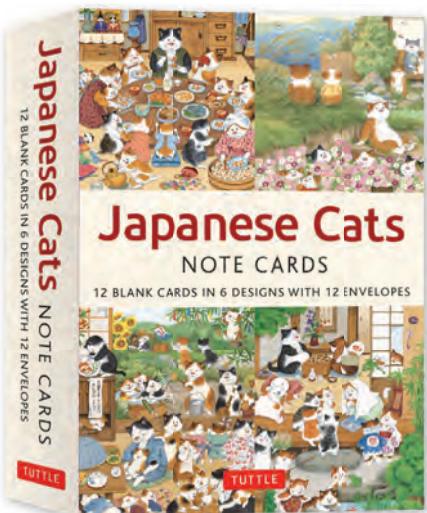
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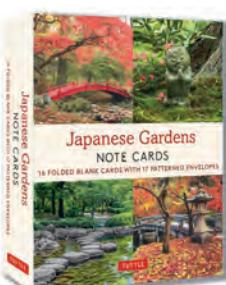


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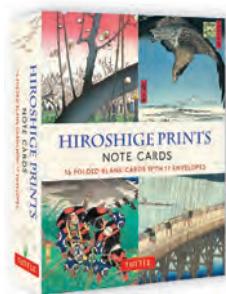


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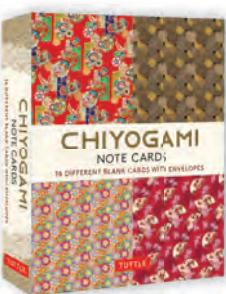
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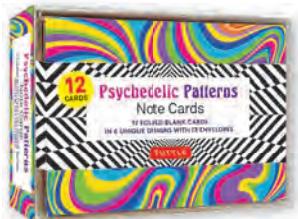
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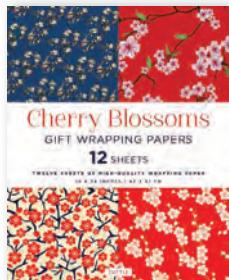
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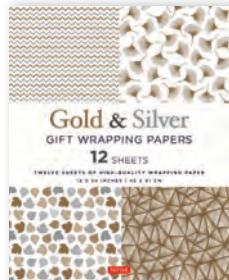
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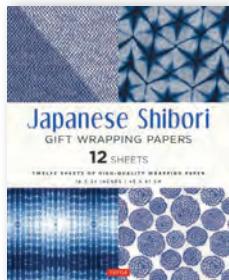
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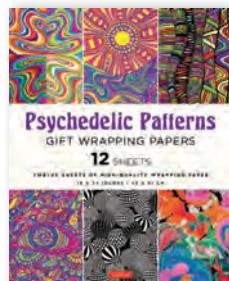
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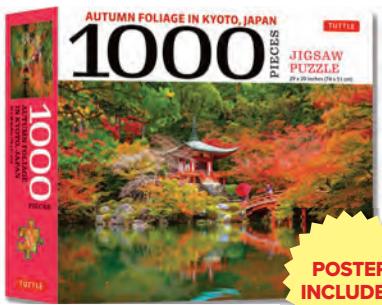
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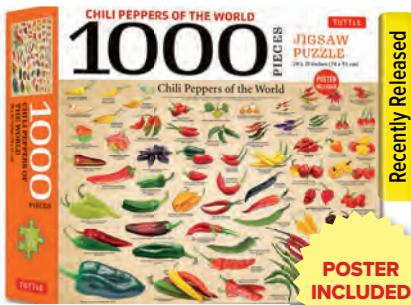
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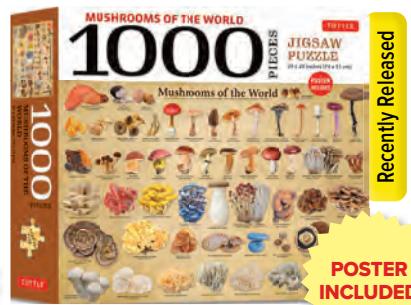
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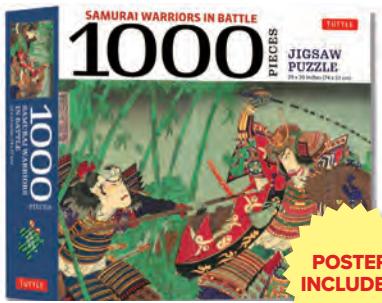


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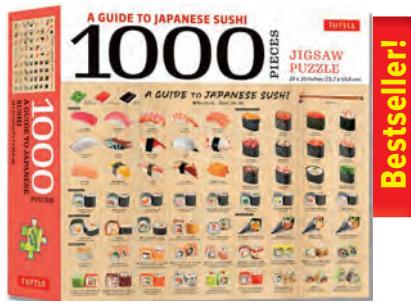


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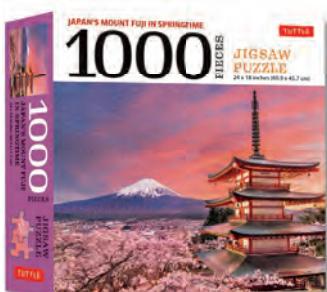
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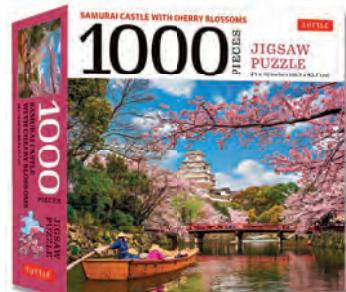


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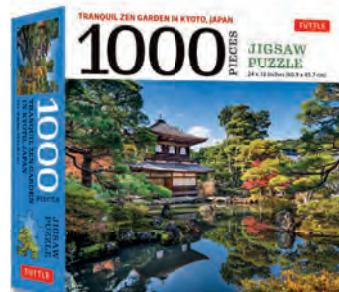
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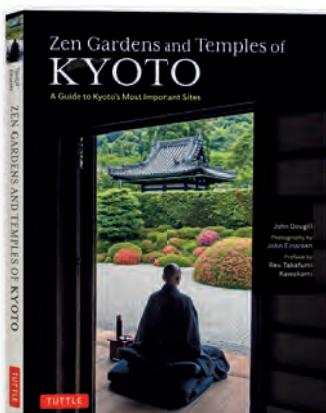
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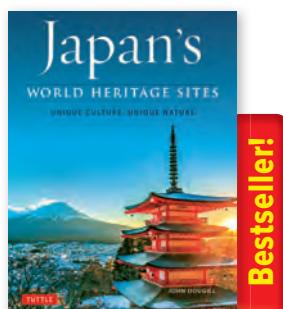
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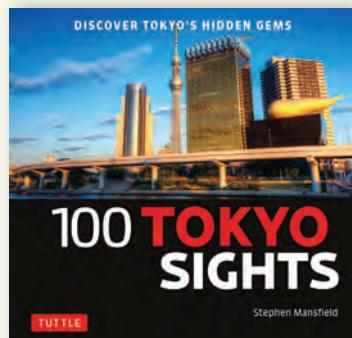


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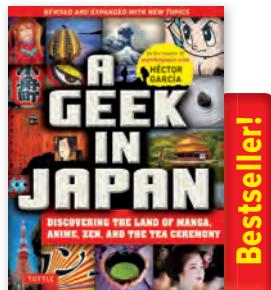
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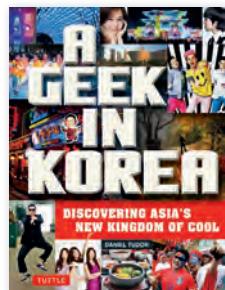


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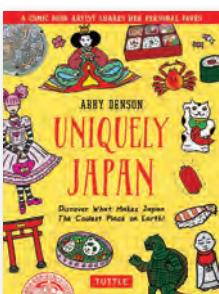


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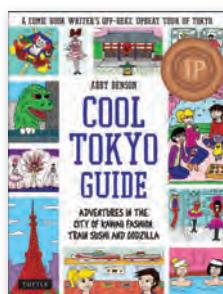


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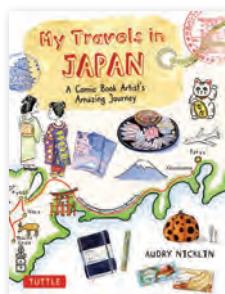


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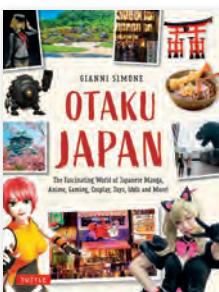
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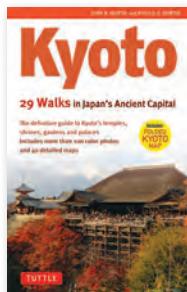
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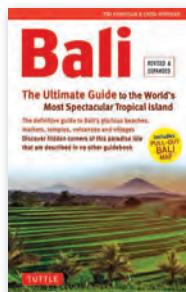
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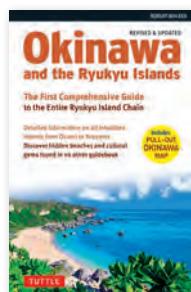
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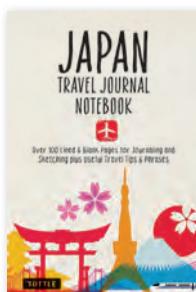
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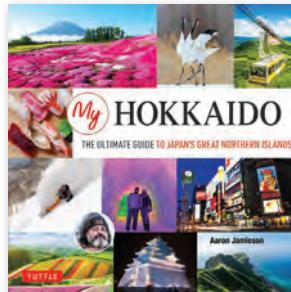
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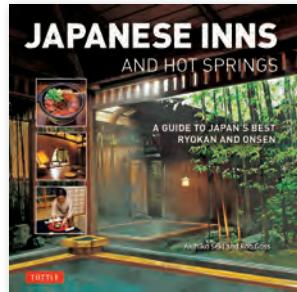
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