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Secrets of a Silent Witch - Thoughts so far?

Question

What are your personal thoughts on Secrets of a Silent Witch? I hear there is an anime that will be coming out for it. I haven't read it yet but I would like to know others thoughts first. It seems like a slower paced show but i'm curious about its lore, characterbuilding, if it has action, stuff like that.



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sln2k • 10mo ago

I love it so much!

It definitely starts very slow and at first it looks like the characters are gonna be really shallow, but I really liked how they gave a surprising depth to some characters. It doesn't have a lot of action, it's almost a [slice of life](#).

One thing they do really differently is the [magic system](#). The magic has more of a complex and highly academical vibe. It doesn't get too deep on the magic system, at least in the volumes I read, but it's refreshing to see magic that way.

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First of all, I don't like it when authors overexaggerate shyness and for me it's painful to watch/read these nervous wrecks they create. It just feels unrealistic but at the same time bugs my own anxieties. And in the end it just annoys the fuck out of me.

However, Silent Witch is not like that. It's really good, I can actually empathize with Monica's character, she's not just a one-dimensional gag who's super introverted and socially awkward but she actually has a personality and a compelling backstory. It was such a pleasant surprise.

The story is also very engaging. The mystery elements keep it exciting all the time while following the heartwarming journey of a repressed girl slowly opening up. Also when she goes into witch mode and starts working through the enemies like one fucking large Delete button is just sooo badass.

On the other hand, the side characters are not that interesting and a bit simple to my taste but Monica and the male lead carry the whole series pretty well. Also the latest volume felt a bit slow and missed most of the comedic elements the previous books had.

All in all, I love it and definitely recommend, it's kind of a hidden gem that should receive way more recognition.

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CaptainScratch137 • 10mo ago

It took me a few tries, but once I got going, I couldn't stop. Can't wait for the next volume!

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Mairuzukage OP • 10mo ago

Oh okay, is it that way initially or just how it starts?

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axhng • 10mo ago

i was a little hesitant regarding the premise at first, but the characters really grew on me, especially the FMC. read up to volume 5, and it's still a pretty fun read for me. there is action in it, but it's not high-octane pedal to the metal kind of non-stop action. there is a usually a solid sub plot each volume (except the vol 4.5 which is kinda like an interlude?) with good enough pacing throughout, and it does seem to build towards a larger overarching plot. FMC's character also sees personal growth over time, and her personal motivations and direction got clearer with the latest EN translated volume as well. and the characters are not all too one-dimensional at least. there are some characters i didn't like but grew to like more, and there are some that developed in the opposite direction due to their actions in the story. YMMV, but i personally still enjoy the series as of volume 5.

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It's a great series. The shyness of the MC is kind of insane (the MC is the kind of person who would somehow be perfectly fine chatting with a powerful monster such as a dragon but who would be scared stiff talking to the nicest person you've ever known - just because that person is human), but it works surprisingly well. A lot of the series revolves around character interactions, and the action is pretty minimal. There are occasionally magical battles of one sort or another, but anyone really looking for that kind of content is likely to be disappointed, since it's really not the focus. Problems tend to be solved more frequently through intelligence and magical skill than through combat, and what little magical combat there is tends to be won via the intelligent use of magic rather than through raw power.

All in all, it's one of the more unique series out there, and I would recommend that anyone who's even vaguely interested in it give it a try.

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It's great, love it. Female MC give me the impression of Bocchi x Mentalist.

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amc9988 • 10mo ago

Love it, I really love witch theme story and this one pretty good

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Barrier Mage)

This is by far my favourite light novel of all time. The writing is pretty much A-tier of light novel authors. The pacing was just right imo, not too fast and not too slow. The characters have development and not a single one was forgettable. More you read the story, more interesting it gets.

The anime announcement was just come right in time, hopefully it would boost it's popularity

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