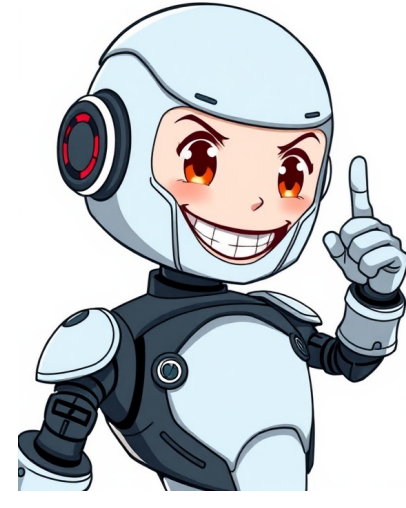


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Food Wars!: Shokugeki no Soma ===== The anime Food Wars! was produced by J.C.Staff and aired from April to September 2015. The series also spawned a second season, titled Food Wars! The Second Plate, which aired between July and September 2016. A third season, titled Food Wars! The Third Plate, was split into two parts, with the first half airing between October and December 2017, and the second half airing between April and June 2018. The series continued with a fourth season, titled Food Wars! The Fourth Plate, which aired between October and December 2019, followed by a fifth and final season, titled Food Wars! The Fifth Plate, which aired between April and September 2020. Besides the anime, the series also features two video games released in 2015. By march 2020, the manga had sold over 20 million copies worldwide. The series received positive reviews for its engaging storylines and authentic recipes depicted in each episode. The anime is set primarily at Tōtsuki Culinary Academy, a prestigious culinary school located in Tokyo, Japan, where only a handful of students graduate from each year. Students mostly come from the academy's junior high school, but some transfers are accepted if they pass the entrance exam. The campus features many research societies, cooking classrooms, and large arenas used for competitions. Housing varies, ranging from affordable options like Polaris Dormitory to luxury accommodations at Gin Dojima's Tōtsuki resort hotel. In the anime, students can initiate a shokugeki, or food war, with other students or alumnus, often with high stakes such as cooking utensils, research society facilities, council membership, or even expulsion from the school. The main protagonist, Soma Yukihira, aspires to become a full-time chef and surpass his father's culinary skills after his father's job requires him to travel around the world and close their family restaurant. Soma is enrolled in Tōtsuki Culinary Academy, where he meets other aspiring chefs, including Megumi Tadokoro. The story follows Soma's adventures as he interacts with his peers and challenges other students in shokugeki competitions. Soma plans to become the best at the academy by learning from his father's past experiences as a student of Tōtsuki. Soma and his fellow first-year students participate in various cooking camps, internships, and competitions throughout the series. One notable event is the Fall Classic, where the top 60 first-year students compete against each other, followed by The Autumn Elections, a single-elimination tournament that narrows down the contestants to the final eight. During one of these events, Erina's father Azami takes over the school, leading Soma and Erina to form a rebel faction to challenge the establishment. With support from Joichiro and Gin, the Rebels confront Azami's organization "Central" in a Regiment De Cuisine (Team Shokugeki), ultimately emerging victorious and ousting Azami's regime. ===== with Erina as the new Headmaster, Soma and his friends enter their second year at Totsuki Academy. Several members of the Fall Classic have been promoted to the council, replacing the graduating third-year batch. Their first assignment is about the existence of "dark chefs," those who work with criminal organizations and other VIPs. A particular organization, Les Cuisiniers Noirs, led by Asahi Saiba, a former protege of Joichiro, is on the hunt for Erina. Asahi infiltrates Totsuki and abducts Erina, planning to marry her. To rescue Erina, Soma, Megumi, and Takumi participate in an invitation-only cooking competition called BLUE, organized by World Gourmet Organization Headmaster Mana Nakiri, Erina's mother. The trio battles against dark chefs, with Soma eventually defeating Asahi. The manga ends with Soma facing Erina in the final match of BLUE.Shokugeki no Soma: L'étoile aired from February 20, 2015, to June 21, 2019, on Shōnen Jump+ website and app. Eight tankōbon volumes were compiled from individual chapters. A crossover story, Shokugeki no Sanji, was published in Weekly Shōnen Jump since July 23, 2018. Two light novels, A la carte and Fratelli Aldini, were released in 2014 and 2015, respectively. Main article: List of Food Wars!: Shokugeki no Soma episodes. Crunchyroll streamed the anime on April 3, 2015. Sentai Filmworks licensed it for digital and home video release in North America. However, after Sony Pictures Television acquired Crunchyroll, Food Wars! was dropped from the service on March 31, 2022. In Southeast Asia and South Asia, Medialink licensed the series. The first season's opening theme was "Kibō no Uta" by Ultra Tower, while the ending theme was "Spice" by Tokyo Karankoron. From episode fifteen onwards, the opening theme changed to "Rising Rainbow" by Misokkasu, and the ending theme became "Sacchan's Sexy Curry" by Seiko Oomori. A 25-minute original video animation (OVA) was bundled with the 19th volume of the manga, released on July 4, 2016. The second OVA was also released as part of the first season. The second season aired from July 2 to September 24, 2016, and had its opening theme song "Rough Diamonds" by Screen Mode. A fourth OVA was released with the 25th manga volume on July 4, 2017. The third season, titled Food Wars! Shokugeki no Soma: The Third Plate, aired from October 4 to December 20, 2017. The first opening theme song was "Braver" by Zaq, while the ending theme became "Kyokyo Jitsujitsu" by Nano Ripe. In July 2019, Sentai Filmworks licensed season 3, which released on home video with an English dub in 2020. A fourth season, Food Wars! Shokugeki no Soma: The Fourth Plate, aired from October 12 to December 28, 2019. The fifth and last season, Food Wars! Shokugeki no Soma: The Fifth Plate, aired from April 11 to September 26, 2020. The opening theme was "Last Chapter" by Nano Ripe, while the ending theme song became "Crossing Road" by Mai Fuchigami.Food Wars! Shokugeki no Soma has been a popular shonen manga and anime series that combines elements of food, drama, and fantasy. The series follows the story of Soma Yukihira, a young chef who enrolls in Totsuki Culinary Academy to fulfill his dream of becoming a great chef. Food Wars! Shokugeki no Soma is a popular manga series by Yuto Tsukuda and Shun Saeki that has gained significant attention worldwide. The series was first published in 2012 and has since been released in various formats, including print and digital versions. The series follows the story of Soma Yukihira, a young chef who aspires to become the best cook in Japan. He enrolls in Totsuki Culinary Academy, a prestigious culinary school, with the goal of surpassing his father's cooking skills. During his time at the academy, he faces various challenges and rivalries with other students, all while honing his cooking skills. In North America, Food Wars! is available through Crunchyroll, which acquired the license for the series in 2023. In Australia, it can be streamed on Crunchyroll Store Australia. However, Sentai Filmworks still maintains control over home media releases and English dubbing for the series. One interesting fact about the series is that its graduation rate is relatively low. According to Dean Senzaemon's speech, only 1% of students who enter the academy graduate each year, making it a challenging environment for aspiring chefs like Soma. Throughout its release, Food Wars! has received positive reviews from fans and critics alike. The series has also inspired various adaptations, including anime episodes, manga spin-offs, and even a food collaboration menu with Chūka Ichiban! Despite its popularity, the series has an uncertain future. In June 2019, it was announced that the manga would conclude in three chapters. However, more chapters have since been released in Jump GIGA Magazine. Overall, Food Wars! Shokugeki no Soma is a thrilling and entertaining manga series that explores the world of culinary arts. With its engaging storyline and lovable characters, it's no wonder that fans around the world are eagerly following the adventures of Soma Yukihira and his friends at Totsuki Culinary Academy. =====Food Wars!: Shokugeki no Soma to Run as Spinoff Manga in English Shonen Jump ===== A spinoff manga about Sanji, a character from the popular anime series "One Piece," is set to run in the English version of Shonen Jump.News about the Food Wars! anime and its various seasons have been widely reported. The series, which originated from a manga, has seen multiple adaptations including television anime seasons and films. Here are some key developments: 1. \*\*Television Seasons\*\*: The anime has been divided into several seasons. The initial reports indicated the start of new seasons, including "Food Wars! Shokugeki no Soma" with various announcements made about premiere dates and continuations. 2. \*\*Announcements and Premieres\*\*: - The second cour of "Food Wars! Shokugeki no Soma" was announced to premiere on April 8. - The series has seen multiple theme songs and performances, including those by Luck Life, Fo'xTails, and nano.RIPE. 3. \*\*Licensing and Distribution\*\*: - Sentai Filmworks has licensed the series, indicating its popularity and reach beyond Japan. - The series has been broadcast in various countries and has been made available through different platforms. 4. \*\*Merchandise and Spin-Offs\*\*: - There have been mentions of a mobile game and a visual novel based on "Food Wars! Shokugeki no Soma", showcasing its popularity and the franchise's expansion into different media. 5. \*\*Impact and Reception\*\*: - Reviews of the series have been generally positive, with praise for its animation and storyline. - The series has been noted for its unique blend of cooking and action elements. 6. \*\*Delays and Resumptions\*\*: - Like many productions, "Food Wars! Shokugeki no Soma" faced delays due to the COVID-19 pandemic but resumed later. The series' journey from its manga roots to its adaptation into anime and other media forms a significant part of pop culture, appealing to a wide audience globally.Food Wars! Shokugeki no Soma takes the top spot in Kono Manga ga Sugoi 2014 poll ===== Food Wars!: Shokugeki no Soma was voted number one manga of 2014 by voters. The show beat out other popular titles, solidifying its place as a favorite among fans.