

SPY X FAMILY

by Tatsuya Endō

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Rating (0 stars is the absolute worst, 10 stars is the BEST BOOK EVER)



Genre(s):

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Contemporary/Realistic



Action/adventure

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Science Fiction

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Fantasy

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Romance

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Horror

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Mystery

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Nonfiction

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Historical fiction



Other: Manga

SPY x FAMILY, a manga series by Tatsuya Endō, follows the spy Loid Forger, known by his codename Twilight. At the start of the story, Loid is assigned a mission to investigate and gather information on Donovan Desmond, the leader of the National Unity Party. To get close to Desmond, Loid must create a believable family as part of his cover. He ends up adopting a young girl named Anya, who appears to be an ordinary child but is anything but normal. As Loid struggles with the challenges of parenting, he runs into all kinds of troubles — including the unexpected task of finding a wife to complete his family.

Personally, I liked this manga more than I expected. I love how Tatsuya Endō explores the theme of identity throughout the story. Loid constantly shifts between different roles, to the point where he begins to lose sight of who he truly is — the fact that he doesn't even know his real name highlights this perfectly. Endō extends this idea to the entire Forger family, tying it back to the manga's opening line: "Everyone has a secret self they don't show to other people. Not to friends. Not to lovers. Not even to family." I also appreciate how the characters' actions always carry deeper motivations beneath them.

Furthermore, the blend of humor, and fast-paced storytelling makes the series very engaging. Overall, I'd recommend this to anyone looking for a wholesome yet funny manga with surprising depth.

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