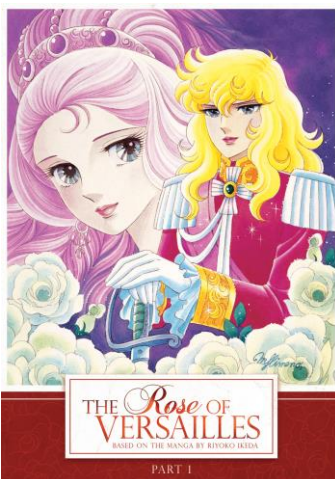


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THE ROSE OF VERSAILLES, PART 1

Format: DVD (Litebox)

Pre-Book: 1/6/2015

Street Date: 2/3/2015

Runtime: 480 minutes

Genre: Drama / Historical

Suggested Rating: 13+

Audio: Japanese (Mono)

Subtitles: English subtitles, plus English on-screen translations

Video: 4:3, Color

Catalog #: RSDVD1528

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SRP: \$39.99

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**NOZOMI ENTERTAINMENT Announces the Litebox-style DVD
Release of *THE ROSE OF VERSAILLES, PART 1***

GRIMES, IA, November 12, 2014 — Anime producer **Nozomi Entertainment** is pleased to announce that *The Rose of Versailles, Part 1* will be available on **February 3, 2015**.

Also known as "*Berusaiyu no Bara*" and "*Lady Oscar*," this new value-priced DVD set will feature the series' **first 20 episodes** with Japanese audio, English-language subtitles and English on-screen translations. On-disc extras will include the clean opening and clean closing.

"It is easy to see why *The Rose of Versailles* is held in such high esteem. Emotional, historical, and beautiful to watch, the show brings the last years of the French monarchy to life in the best anime style." — *Anime News Network*

The Rose of Versailles is based upon the best-selling manga (comic) by **Riyoko Ikeda** (*Dear Brother*, a.k.a. *Onisama e...*), which was originally serialized in Shueisha's *shoujo* anthology magazine *Margaret*, from 1972 through 1973, and later collected into 10 volumes. In addition to its anime adaptation, it inspired a short story collection (also written by Ikeda), a French-Japanese live-action film, and multiple musicals staged by Japan's famed Takarazuka Revue.

This 40-episode anime adaptation of *The Rose of Versailles* originally aired on Japanese television from October 1979 through September 1980. It features animation by TMS ENTERTAINMENT CO., LTD., as well as direction by **Tadao Nagahama** (*Romance Robot Trilogy*) and **Osamu Dezaki** (*Nobody's Boy – Remi*, *Dear Brother*, *Aim for the Ace!*).

Visit rov.rightstuf.com for more information about the *The Rose of Versailles* anime series.

About *THE ROSE OF VERSAILLES, PART 1*:

General Jarjays - so desperate for a son to preserve the family name and noble standing - names his newborn daughter "Oscar" and chooses to raise her as a boy. Fourteen years later, Oscar is a masterful duelist, marksman, and the newly appointed Commander of the French Royal Guards. Her first task: to protect Marie Antoinette, who is engaged to the French prince and future king, Louis-Auguste.

But even though the planned marriage should provide both countries with some much needed peace and prosperity, the French court is a dangerous place - and Marie's youthful naïveté makes her an easy target for those who wish to see the monarchy overthrown. Oscar soon finds herself both defending Marie's reputation from those that seek to discredit her and protecting her life from those that wish to kill her.

DVD Features:

Clean opening, clean closing.

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