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# Sailor Moon S

## The Hearts Collection

Every anime fan has seen *Sailor Moon*, but not everyone has seen all the series. Here in the UK we've only had the first two series in edited, dubbed, format. Anime fans in the US were a little luckier, as they've seen releases of two more series, the first of which is *Sailor Moon S*.

*Sailor Moon S* introduces more of the *Sailor Moon* universe, including the Outer Senshi: Sailors Uranus, Neptune, Pluto and the mysterious Sailor Saturn (these Senshi, or warriors, are also known as Haruka, Michiru, Setsuna and Hotaru). It also sees the return of Usagi's future daughter, Chibiusa, who is determined to train as a Senshi to become Sailor Chibi Moon.

The end of the world is coming and a new enemy has appeared in the form of the Death Busters. The series focuses on the hunt for star

seeds contained within human beings. Both the Death Busters and the new Senshi are searching for these star seeds which will unlock weapons capable of saving or destroying the world.

The series is beginning to show its age; much of the animation is reused and noticeably grainy. However, *Sailor Moon* is a classic anime series and well worth the investment if you have a region one DVD player.

LESLEY SMITH

### NEO VERDICT

Despite the villain of the week format, *Sailor Moon S* remains a classic of the magical girl genre.

FILM



DVD EXTRAS



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Aside from the standard trailers and audio in Japanese and English, the only real extras are closing openings and endings and a 'Sailor Gallery' focusing on each of the Senshi.



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# Someday's Dreamers

## Vol. 1: Magical Dreamer

Yume Kikuchi lives in a world seemingly identical to our own but with one notable exception – magic. An apprentice Mage, Yume is headed to Tokyo to study magic, and the 12 episodes of this slice of life anime follow her trials and tribulations. From her first moments in Tokyo when she levitates a dozen cars, causing chaos, to her realisation that her tutor Masami Oyamada is actually a rather handsome man rather than the woman she had been expecting, it's clear *Someday's Dreamers* is going to be an interesting ride.

Based on a manga series by Norie Yamada, *Someday's Dreamers* is set in a parallel world very much like our own. It actually includes real Tokyo locations, making it much more realistic than many other series out there, and despite its short length all the characters, from

Yume and her solemn friend Angela Brooks, to Masami and bartender Kera (aka Smiley), get their moment in the spotlight.

The animation is beautiful and the music perfectly pitched to compliment a gorgeous series. The magical elements don't seem out of place either, and *Someday's Dreamers* is one of those classic series which is crying out for a UK release. We can't wait to see if someone's going to pick this gem up soon.

LESLEY SMITH

### NEO VERDICT

A beautiful slice of life anime that mixes the mundane with the magical.

FILM



DVD EXTRAS



**DVD EXTRAS**  
 Limited edition postcards and collector's box, clean opening and ending, a music video by The Indigo, reversible covers, trailers, character and concept art and an interview with Yume Kikuchi's voice actress, Aoi Miyazaki. There are also Japanese and English audio tracks and subtitles.