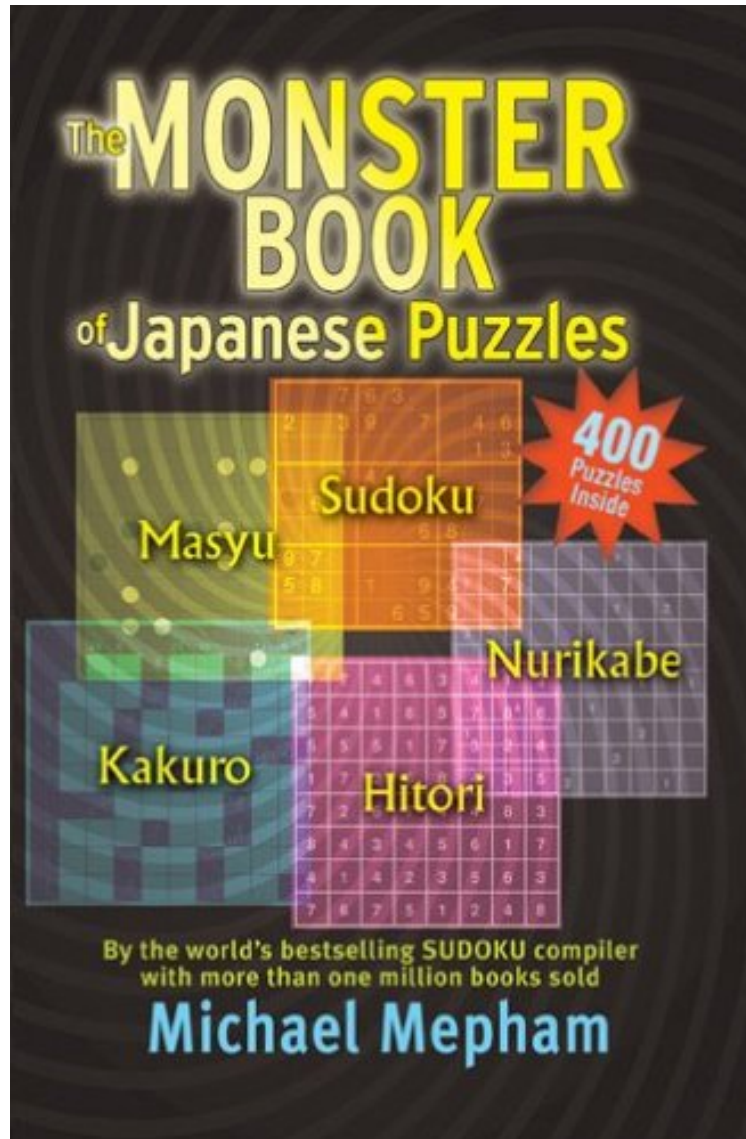


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Michael Mepham : Monster Book of Japanese Puzzles: Masyu, Nurikabe, Hitori, Sudoku and Kakuro before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Monster Book of Japanese Puzzles: Masyu, Nurikabe, Hitori, Sudoku and Kakuro:

3 of 3 people found the following review helpful. Coulda been a killer book, but still niceBy SelahThis book feels like it was rushed into printing before all the kinks got worked out. I hope the publisher will revamp and correct the book

for a second edition. The binding is standard book binding with newspaper style pages (which doesn't stand up well to some mechanical pencils). It's a great collection of puzzle types that you don't usually see, but the introductions lack decent formatting and could be more helpful. A book shouldn't tell you to go look online for better tutorials in their own introduction! It wouldn't have taken but another page for each section to beef the introductions into legitimate tutorials. The puzzles are marked for what level of difficulty they are, but for some strange reason the kakuro section doesn't have them in order from easiest to hardest... like the labels were attached later and they didn't re-order the puzzles. Sloppy. The hitori puzzles have a few errors (such as sometimes having no logical reason to choose between two remaining cells to know which one should be eliminated, so it's up to you to just pick one!). The biggest flaw is that the solutions are majorly messed up (sometimes a cell is mis-shaded, and sometimes the numbers are in a different order so it's really a different puzzle!). This is easily fixed by visiting the author's personal website for the real solutions at [...]. Still worth the money to have so many puzzles and types in one book so you can flip to whatever section your brain feels like dealing with!

2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Very poorly edited - shamefully bad

By G. P. Hawkins I am a beginner at Hitori and was stunned to realize that most of the Hitori solutions in the book are invalid. Mepham or his editors seem unaware of the basic rules of the puzzle. Other reviewers have noted similar problems and even said that the publisher has acknowledged the errors. The puzzles lose all of their relaxing, mind absorbing qualities when the book is so poorly created. Shamefully bad material carrying the name of a (supposedly) great puzzle creator. One star.

2 of 3 people found the following review helpful. Tons of fun!

By EFI bought this book as a Christmas present for someone else, but it was so much fun I ended up solving many of the puzzles myself! In addition to sudoku and kakuro puzzles, which many people are already familiar with, the author includes hitori, masyu and nurikabe puzzles. There are 50 sudoku puzzles and 50 kakuro puzzles, plus 100 hitori, 100 masyu and 100 nurikabe puzzles. This means there are 400 puzzles in this book--truly a "monster" book of puzzles! You certainly get a lot of bang for your buck. The puzzles are all high quality and the author provides a little introduction before each section of puzzles, giving a bit of history as well as a few solving techniques. I haven't finished the book, but so far I haven't found any errors or typos. So, if you enjoy sudoku and kakuro and are looking for a few new types of puzzles, definitely check out this book! I really hope the author comes out with something similar in the future, because I've become quite addicted to the new puzzles and there aren't many other books that include them yet.

In this monster book with more than 400 mind-bending puzzles, Mepham brings his famous Sudoku and Kakuro puzzles together with three puzzles that are now taking over Japan: Hitori, Masyu, and Nurikabe.

From the Publisher The Monster Book of Japanese Puzzles is packed with 400 of these five mind-bending puzzles ranging in difficulty from gentle to diabolical. All puzzles in this book have an indication of the level of difficulty. A short, illustrated tutorial for each type of puzzle will start you off on the road to hours of infuriating fun.

About the Author Michael Mepham is a veteran puzzle compiler. His puzzles are featured in newspapers around the world, including Life magazine, the Los Angeles Times, the Chicago Tribune, the National Post, and others. He compiled the runaway bestsellers The Book of Sudoku, Sudoku to Go, and The Book of Kakuro.