ANIME FIGURE REVIEW: Mon-Sieur Bome Collection Vol. 22 Rin Tohsaka from Fate/Stay Night PVC Figure

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Product InformationSeries:Fate/Stay NightProduct Type: 1/8 Scale PVC FigureManufacturer:Kaiyodo Year of Release: 2007MSRP:$29.99NAF Scorecard Craftsmanship:B-Representation:BCreativity:B+NAF Recommendation: Buy

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To many fans of Fate/Stay Night, Saber is merely the "other" heroine in this popular anime series. She is considered to be the muscle to the more refined, well breed and groomed, the school idol and model student, Rin Tohsaka. This review examines Bome's interpretation of Rin in his release of Mon-Sieur Bome Collection Vol. 22 Rin Tohsaka from Fate/Stay Night 1/8 scale PVC Figure from Kaiyodo.

Bome takes a traditional approach with his sculpt of Rin, showing her in her usual red shirt and black skirt outfit. The pose seems a bit dramatic, with that left hand held out (pic 2) and her dagger held gingerly behind her legs (pic 3). Rin is on full alert, ready to unleash a quick spell or a slash. An interesting aspect of the figure is Rin's hair: it's puffed out in the back (pic 4) and on the side (pic 5), as if Rin made a sudden movement and cause her thick hair to flop wildly in the air. And yet Rin's face (pic 6) shows a coolness that really contradicts her body's posture. Considering that Masters like Rin are targets for elimination from the Quest for the Holy Grail, Rin's alertness and anticipation are certainly appropriate.

This 8 1/2 inches tall figure has a number of defects in our sample. The most noticeable one is probably the overbleeds of white paint in the cross on Rin's chest (pic 6). There are also some scuff marks and mold lines along the legs. Fortunately, Rin's black legging make these manufacturing defects hard to notice at a distance.

We find the three pegs in the stand (pic 7) hard to fit into the bottom of Rin's feet. They do go in eventually, but it takes some time, patience, and effort to accomplish this. The figure can stand on its own (pic 8), but may fall down at the slightest touch. We recommend using the stand to display the figure.

One note of caution: the strands of hair on Rin's head are quite sharp and pointy. We recommend that you handle the figure by holding onto Rin's waist or legs.

Mon-Sieur Bome Collection Vol. 22 Rin Tohsaka from Fate/Stay Night 1/8 scale PVC Figure from Kaiyodo offers a solid interpretation of Rin. At a retail price of $29.99, it is an affordable release for fans of this popular anime character.

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