

## About Manga List

I created this software after reading the book, "*How to Destroy Surveillance Capitalism*" by Cory Doctorow. In his writings, Doctorow explores why so many tech companies today use invasive trackers and utilize mass data harvesting in their software. In his opinion, capitalism is the main driving force behind mass data collection and user surveillance by tech companies. Doctorow argues that because capitalism pushes companies to be as profitable as possible, it is impossible for a company to not engage in mass data harvesting. He argues this because if a company were to not harvest user data, then they would be putting themselves at a massive disadvantage against their competitors who are harvesting user data.

I wanted to create software that allows a user to easily keep track of their books without having to sacrifice their personal data. This differs from many online book trackers as said sites tend to harvest user data to sell targeted advertisements. This software will also be open source so that the code can be easily audited, and upgraded as users see fit.

### Bibliography

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