

My System Aron Nimzowitsch

In My System, he expounded his theories of prophylaxis, blockade and much more, while providing ground-breaking insights in pawn structures. In the sequel Chess Praxis, Nimzowitsch demonstrated how he had successfully tested his theories in his games. Without reading Nimzowitsch your chess education cannot be complete. Perhaps not all of his convictions have stood the test of time, but even today, any chess student will deepen his understanding while enjoying the author’s insights and witticisms. Part of the charm of Nimzowitsch’s prose was his idiosyncratic use of the German language, which has been very carefully preserved in Robert Sherwood’s new translation. Added in this edition are the influential essays The Blockade and On the History of the Chess Revolution 1911-1914.

Chess Praxis was Nimzowitschs follow-up to his classic, My System, which introduced Nimzowitschs hypermodern theories about how chess should be played. Chess Praxis shows how these ideas work in practice. Nimzowitsch uses his own most entertaining games to explain how a grandmaster thinks about chess. Readers enjoy many brilliant games while discovering why Nimzowitsch is the most influential author in chess history.

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Written by a Grand Master, this guide isolates basic elements and illustrates them through Master and Grand Master games, breaking down the mystique of strategy into easy-to-understand ideas.

Winning Chess Strategies

Think Like a Grandmaster

My System

The Chess Player's Strategic Bible

Chess Strategy: The Art of Planning

Hypermodern Chess

Learn sure-fire tactics and combinations from one of the worlds top chess players. Attack? Defend? Swap pieces? Tactics are the watchdogs of strategy that take advantage of short-term opportunities to trap or ambush your opponent and quite possiblychange the course of a game in a single move. Why play in a fog, only hoping that your opponent will blunder when International Grandmaster Yasser Seirawan can show you how to put the tactics of the worlds chess legends to work for you. Choose from the double attack, the pin, the skewer, deflection, the cor, x-rays, windmills and many more time-tested tactics.Using classic board situations arranged in chapters by tactical themes, Seirawan teaches you how to:
* Plan your entire game from the very first move.Think ahead, step-by-step, anticipating every obstacle your opponent can throw your way
* Position yourself for the smashing combination and endgame you've always dreamed of
Board positions from actual games played by historys great chess tacticians are provided throughout. Review tests for each topic let you track your improvement. In no time you'll be playing better, with more confidence than you ever thought possible. Errata List

Aron Nimzowitsch (1886 – 1935) was the most influential chess thinker of the 20th century. His books ` My System ` (1925) and ` Chess Praxis ` (1928) had tremendous impact and continue to be printed, sold and read to this day. Every chess player who is serious about improving his game, studies the lessons of this great Russian-born innovator. During several decades of research German chess historian Rudolf Reinhardt compiled, from an immense variety of sources, all the games Nimzowitsch played after 1928. They are presented with notes by Nimzowitsch himself and, in some cases, by his contemporaries. In addition to the games Reinhardt also collected the articles and essays that Nimzowitsch wrote during the last seven years of his life. Reinhardt ` s collection offers a unique view of the chess world of the late 1920s and 1930s, its top tournaments and the state of theory. More importantly, it portrays Nimzowitsch the chess player and author in the last seven years of his short life. It is all there: the fights, the competitors and the polemics, all in the incomparable style of the master: pointed, elegant, precise and highly original. The book starts where Nimzowitsch ` s second volume Chess Praxis ends. Richard Reinhardt, who died unexpectedly when writing the preface to his monumental collection, did not exaggerate when he called it the unauthorized sequel to the classics Nimzowitsch himself published during his lifetime.

A collection of the 60 best games of Bobby Fischer, analyzed by himself. The games are reset by John Nunn into modern algebraic notation, providing an insight into the methods and thought processes of one of the greatest chess champions.

Modern Ideas in Chess is a series of 45 essays dealing with the evolution of game, its leading players, their ideas and contributions to their respective periods. The chronology starts in the Romantic era of Anders-sen and Morphy, continues through the Classical School of Steinitz, Tarrasch, Lasker, and runs to the dawn of the Hypermodern Revolution; the 70 year stretch from 1852 to 1922. Working in small chunks Rti had to be selective in what he extracted from each player and period. Plus the individual elements all had to tie in with the larger canvass Rti was painting for his readers. You dont have to get too far into the book to realize that Rti was a creative artist using the tension of chess ideas to reflect the larger intellectual struggle of mankind. How does Rti do it? A solid chess foundation obviously helps, also keen observation of the human experience coupled with a powerful command of language. Together these serve up indelible images that stick in the mind of the reader and lift this work far above the ordinary. Modern Ideas in Chess is one of the rare books that transcends the time frame in which it was written. It stands on its own, timeless, one of the true classics in the literature of the game.

Master of Planning

On the Road to Chess Mastery, 1886-1924

A Complete Repertoire

A Chess Treatise

Aron Nimzowitsch

Simple Chess

This book presents the indispensable foundations for the understanding of the variations of the chess openings. It has been said that ideas are weapons. That is certainly as true in chess as in any other field. A mastery of a little theory which conveys real understanding of the game is infinitely more valuable than a carefully memorized compilation of endless moves. Paradoxically, a thorough grasp of the ideas behind the openings, which are relatively few in number, is a royal road to knowledge which eliminates much of the drudgery associated with remembering a long series of variations. My object in this work is to present the necessary "ideology" as concisely as possible. This is one of the great classic works on chess by one of the strongest chess players in history. All to often the most recent chess books are just database dumps based on millions of chess games. Our young chess players often undertake the task of memorizing thousands of variations. Let me let you in on a little secret: The world's leading chess grandmasters do not memorize thousands of opening lines. Rather, they study and work them out. They remember the ideas behind the moves, not necessarily the moves themselves. Once they recall the reasons for the moves, they can work out and re-discover the best moves themselves. There are many new moves and opening variations that have become popular and fashionable since this book was published. However, the ideas behind these openings have remained the same. This book is just as valid as when it was first published. Reuben Fine was one of the world's strongest grandmasters of chess.

For more than a quarter of a century until his death in 1935, Aron Nimzowitsch was recognised as one of the world's leading players. The leading Grandmaster of the Hypermodern school, his games were full of new ideas and plans, which were accompanied by landmarks in chess literature such as My System and Chess Praxis. Challenging old theories, his books are regarded as being the best teaching manuals and have strongly withstood the test of time. Raymond Keene has covered Nimzowitsch's career in detail, continuing the themes of My System and drawing on Nimzowitsch's own notes, which had not appeared in English before this book. A wide selection of the Grandmaster's games are included, along with a detailed analysis of his influence on modern opening play. Modern players owe a great debt to Nimzowitsch, whose deep conceptions and masterpieces of positional play have led to his widespread appreciation as the Master of Planning. RAYMOND KEENE, himself a Grandmaster, has written over sixty books on chess and is chess correspondent of the Spectator and The Times, as well as being a regular presenter of chess on Thames Television. In 1985 he was awarded the OBE for services to chess. His book on Nimzowitsch is regarded as one of the classics of chess.

How to Reassess Your Chess has long been considered a modern classic. This 4th edition takes Silman's groundbreaking concept of imbalances to a whole new level. Designed for players in the 1400 to 2100 rating range and for teachers looking for a ready-made chess curriculum, the author shares a mind-expanding journey that takes the reader through imbalance-basics, ensures that every detail of all the imbalances are mastered, and leaves the player/lover of chess with something he always wanted but never believed he could achieve: a master-level positional foundation. Hundreds of games brought to life by instruction-rich prose, and stories that offer humor while highlighting various lessons, vividly illustrate all the book's topics in a manner that's both personal and fun. Jeremy Silman is an International Master and a world-class teacher, writer, and player who has won the American Open, the National Open, and the U.S. Open.

Ilya Maizelis s masterpiece is the definitive introduction to the game of chess. It has inspired generations of Russians to take up the game, including arguably the two greatest players of all time, the 12th and 13th World Champions. In the original Russian, this landmark work is simply called "Chess" no other explanation was considered necessary. The Soviet Chess Primer is a modern English translation of Maizelis s witty introduction to the royal game. This new edition of a timeless classic includes an original foreword from the 2nd World Champion, Emanuel Lasker, as well as an introduction from the most celebrated chess trainer of modern times, Mark Dvoretsky."

Winning Chess Tactics

The Ultimate Chess Puzzle Book

Aron Nimzowitsch 1928-1935

New York 1927

Advances Since Nimzowitsch

My System & Chess Praxis

One of the greatest chess legends of all time, Aron Nimzowitsch (1886-1935), is best known for founding the Hypermodernism school of chess, which emerged after World War I to challenge the chess ideologies of traditional central European masters. This first full-scale biography of Nimzowitsch chronicles his early life in Denmark, his family and education, and his fascination with the game that would become the focus of his life. Also included are explorations of his tournament games and records, his dispute with influential chess teacher Siegbert Tarrasch, and his role in the development of Hypermodern Chess. With detailed accounts of nearly 450 games and the only narrative of Nimzowitsch from 1914 to 1924, a period formerly cloaked in mystery, this volume offers the most thorough profile available of one of chess's greatest innovators.

Great chess master shares his secrets, including basic methods of gaining advantages, exchange value of pieces, openings, combinations, position play, aesthetics, and other important maneuvers. More than 300 diagrams.

Every chess player needs a set of openings he can trust!

The best games of one of the best players in chess history. 220 games with Alekhine's own accounts. Spans 30 years of tournament play.

Secrets of Modern Chess Strategy

Play on the Wings

21st Century Edition

Back to Basics: Tactics

Lasker's Manual of Chess

Chess Praxis

The landmark positional chess training classic in an easy-to-study algebraic format with 419 diagrams.

Good books on the indeterminate stage of chess between openings and endings are rare. Ambitious players wanting a practical guide to the middle game will find that Ludek Pachman's great trilogy, which is completed with this volume, stands in a class of its own. In each of these books the need for understanding is emphasized: there are too many variations for any memory to store. The player must understand the basic principles involved and the typical positions or maneuvers that can arise. Ludek Pachman's examples will augment his experience and should facilitate finer judgments as to the types of position to aim for, how to plan for them and in the allocation of priorities. But games also need to be viewed as an entity, and for this reason the author has concentrated on teaching by means of whole games. Ludek Pachman, the West German and former Czechoslovak Grandmaster, has taken part in international chess since 1945. The present work is a substantial revision of a series of books that first appeared in Czech. It has been translated from the German by the English International Master, John Littlewood.

This book provides a wealth of puzzle positions to test just about every facet of your tactical skills. The puzzles in this book have been selected by analysing games new and old in search of original puzzle positions. It is very unlikely that even seasoned solvers will recognise many of these positions. Emms, by allying his skills with those of powerful computers, has also made every effort to ensure that the solutions are sound, and that there are no unmentioned alternative solutions. The book begins with 100 relatively easy positions suitable for novices, and ends with 100 extremely tough puzzles, which provide a mind-bending challenge even for top-class players. There are 1001 puzzles in all.

Pawns are the soul of chess--and one of the aspects of the game that chess computers just don't handle well. This modern guide to pawn structures, written by an experienced grandmaster, analyzes a variety of typical formations, and explains the approaches, patterns, and techniques used by professionals in all phases of the game. The know-how gained from the sample matches presented will give any player a practical advantage on the board.

Aron Nimzowitsch, 1886-1935

My System, a Chess Treatise

Chess Openings for Black, Explained

The Logical Approach to Chess

As Developed in the Games of Its Greatest Exponent, Aron Nimzovich; the Definite Collection of Nimzovich's Revolutionary Games and Their Starting Unconventional Theories

The Praxis of My System

A book for all enthusiastic adult players. Michael de la Maza reveals the secrets of a unique study plan which he used to transform his level of play in just a twelve month period.

The first section of [this] book discusses classical themes, such as pawn majorities, the centre and structural weaknesses. Watson then moves on to discuss new concepts, including the willingness of modern players to accept backward pawns in return for dynamic play, the idea of a good 'bad' bishop, knights finding useful roles at the edge of the board, and the exchange of sacrifice ideas that became prevalent with the post-war Soviet world champions. ..."--Back cover.

Chess Tactics Can Be Fun! This book is an introduction to the various kinds of basic chess tactics. With instructional material, examples, and problems of all types, the subject of chess tactics is covered comprehensively. There are approximately 500 examples ranging from too easy to very difficult! Tactics are usually why most people find chess fun! This book will greatly enhance your enjoyment learning about - and benefiting from - the recurring patterns of tactics. It is well established that the study of basic tactics is probably the single most important thing any beginner can do to improve at chess. This book will help you do that! An updated edition of Paul Keres' classic endgame instructor, designed specifically for practical players with over 500 extra diagrams to facilitate learning and memorisation of critical lines of endgame play. It is an essential practical book, for all chess players, from one of the world's greatest grandmasters. Keres remained an elite grandmaster throughout his life and is widely regarded as one of the s strongest ever players not to have won the world chess champion. His book is a comprehensive guide to the precise handling of all basic endgame positions. It features logical step-by-step explanations of procedures required to obtain the best possible results from frequently occurring queen, rook, bishop, knight and pawn endings. It includes commentaries on the final stages of selected tournament games, which demonstrate the art of favourable transposition from complex to clear-cut endgames.

The Soviet Chess Primer

His Landmark Classics in One Edition

Rapid Chess Improvement

Modern Ideas in Chess

New Algebraic Edition

The Life and Games of Mikhail Tal

What prevented Paul Keres from becoming World Chess Champion? Readers can judge for themselves from the games in this book, which chart his career as he refined his classical attacking style. John Nunn has selected and annotated the finest of Keres's games from 1962 to his death in 1975.

Alekhine's Controversial Masterpiece Finally in English! For decades, Alexander Alekhine's account of New York 1927 was at the top of the list of works that should have been rendered into English but unaccountably were not. This is unlike any other tournament book ever written. Not only do you have one of the greatest annotators of all time rendering some brilliant analysis, but he melds it with an exceptional agenda, an anti-Capablanca agenda. And since he wrote it after defeating Capablanca in their marathon match, he sounds like a sore loser who became a sore winner. So, this is just a mean-spirited book, right? Nothing of the sort. Alekhine goes beyond elaborate move analysis and offers deep positional insights and psychological observations. Nikolai Grigoriev, in his foreword to the 1930 Russian edition of this book, pointed out how Alekhine broke new ground by underlining the critical moments of each game. Why Alekhine's work was published in German, in Berlin in 1928, and not in English, is unclear. But now, after more than 80 years, it's finally available to

the largest audience of chessplayers. It's about time.

The Soviet Union is history, but its influence on chess is still strong in the 21st century, as a glance at the rating list proves. The late Alexey Suetin was perfectly qualified to reveal the strategic secrets of the Soviet chess school. Suetin was a strong grandmaster and for many years one of the most respected coaches in Moscow -- he guided the ultimate strategist, Tigran Petrosian, to the World Championship, and numbered Vassily Ivanchuk among his many other pupils. This is a collection of Suetin's finest writing. Suetin instructs the reader on all the key aspects of strategic play, including the centre, dynamism, accurate evaluation, attack and defence, and the relationship between strategy and tactics. It is not too late to become a pupil in the Soviet chess school!

Nimzowitschs ideas about how to play better chess have had a profound influence on modern chess thinking. It is commonly agreed that almost every chess master in the world has studied Nimzowitschs work.

Paul Keres

Soviet Chess Strategy

Winning Pawn Structures

Practical Chess Endings

The Quest for Perfection

A Chess Manual on Totally New Principles

This has long been one of the standard books on basic chess strategy. It takes the player from the middle game of chess and shows how to take it to a favorable conclusion. TAKING basic principles of military strategy and applying them to the chess board, the authors of this remarkable book develop a logical, and highly original concept of the game which is both novel and unconventional. Chess is, in fact, war between two opponents who both have men to command, and a field on which to meet. From this simple proposition, and the suggestion that the advantage will be with the commander who is thoroughly acquainted with the terrain, the book analyzes logically and succinctly, each phase of the battle. The text is successfully illustrated with examples from the play of other players who were not masters, and the book can be considered as designed for players of some experience, but who have not attained championship status; with the double aim of providing both an analytical study of the army and the field -the board and the men- and a sure, basic insight with which to comprehend the finesse of the Chess-masters. Dr. Euwe's contribution is a guarantee of sound chess and there is, finally, a chapter on the human element; a factor that may well be vital, which suggests that aggressive spirit, keen psychology, and an intelligent grasp of a changing situation, are weapons of prime consequence at all stages of the game.

No book has exerted a greater impact on chess thought over the past 80 years. Variations may come and go, but Nimzowitsch was a seeker after eternal truths and the precepts outlined in this strategic manual have withstood the ravages of time. Breakthroughs in understanding often follow breakthroughs in verbal formulation - Nimzowitsch's skill at translating chess board operations into words was one of the secrets both of his personal success and of the longevity of his system.

Gain the advantage over your opponent with easy-to-remember strategies from one of the worlds top chess players! Strategy is the ultimate secret weapon for championship players around the world. Drawing on his considerable experience in tournament play, International Grandmaster Yasser Seirawan shows you how to apply flexible strategic principles to every part of your game. Using Seirawan's simple and effective planning and analysis techniques, you'll enter each game with confidence and energy, ready to play forcefully and intelligently the way you need to play so you can win every time! Learn to: Knock your opponent off balance with bold opening moves * Formulate an overall game strategy before the middle game * Interpret the motivation behind your opponents every move * Position yourself for a winning endgame * Diagrams throughout the book illustrate game positions, and you'll meet history's greatest chess strategieslearning from them move by move! Whether for reference during practice games or simply for pleasure reading,WINNING CHESS STRATEGIES is an information packed resource you'll turn to again and again

Mikhail Tal, the 'magician from Riga,' was the greatest attacking World Champion of them all, and this enchanting autobiography chronicles his extraordinary career with charm and humor. Dazzling games are interspersed throughout with anecdotes and witty self-interviews, and in typically objective fashion he related both the downs and ups of his encounters. An inveterate smoker and drinker, Tal's life on the circuit was punctuated by bouts in the hospital with kidney problems, but nothing could dull his love for chess and his sheer genius on the chessboard. His illustrious tournament record, up to his death in 1992, is included here in full, along with 100 complete games and nearly as many positions. Tal's annotations in this book are a world apart from ordinary games collections. No reader could fail to be swept along by his passion and vitality as he sets the scene for an encounter and then recounts every psychological twist and turn.

A Reappraisal

How to Reassess Your Chess

Complete Chess Strategy 3

with modern chess notation

My 60 Memorable Games

Annotated Games & Essays

This is a well-established training manual which encourages the average player to understand how a grandmaster thinks, and even more important, how he works. Kotov tackles fundamental issues such as knowing how and when to analyze, the tree of analysis, a selection of candidate moves and the factors of success.

For the first time, an English-speaking audience can ap-preciate the true nature of this famous, classic chess book as this brand-new translation recreates the authors origi-nal intention. Not to have read My System is regarded as a shocking gap in a chess players education, but English speakers had only poor translations that toned down or even deleted many passages because the translators feared Nimzowitschs famous biting wit would be controversial. Nimzowitschs ideas about how to play better chess have had a profound influence on modern chess thinking. It is commonly agreed that almost every chess master in the world has studied Nimzowitschs work. This is the first new English translation in decades and, unlike previous translations, does not censor or dilute the authors writing.

My Best Games of Chess, 1908-1937

A Treatise on Chess

Chess Mastery Through Chess Imbalances

The Ideas Behind the Chess Openings