

## Chess Evolution 2 By Artur Yusupov

Learn and master the fascinating game of Japanese Chess or "Shogi" with this expert guide and Chess set. Japanese Chess: The Game of Shogi is the ultimate strategy guidebook for players of any skill level to improve their game and winning strategies. Played by millions around the world, Shogi is the uniquely Japanese variant of chess. It is the only version in which an opponent's captured piece can be dropped back onto the board as one's own. This makes for extremely exciting, dynamic gameplay in which momentum can quickly shift back and forth between players. Trevor Legett, expert player and longtime resident of Japan, gives you all the information you need to play the game, from its basic rules to winning tactics. Also included in this book are: Sample game and commentary Discussion of various opening strategies and game positions Explanation of how to read a Japanese score Fold-out Shogi board Sturdy paper playing pieces Japanese Chess features everything you need to get started playing this challenging and fun game!

Any man in the street knows how to increase his physical strength, but among most chess players confusion reigns when it comes to improving their playing strength. Axel Smith's training methods have guided his friends, teammates and pupils to grandmaster norms and titles. Hard work will be required, but Axel Smith knows how you can Pump Up Your Rating. Every area of chess is covered - opening preparation, through middlegame play, to endgame technique. Smith delves into both the technical and psychological sides of chess, and shows how best to practise and improve.

"Compared with the other books in this series, substantially more space is given to the analysis of the opening problems that confront a player in a particular game. The first half of the book is altogether devoted to opening preparation (although, as you will see, not only to this), and also in the second half nearly every game is accompanied by detailed opening information. The main attraction of chess is its thematic content. I hope that this book, like the preceding ones, will provide a guide for you through the rich and diverse world of chess ideas, will help you to perceive the depth and beauty of schemes generated at the board, in tournament or match play, to disclose the causes of mistakes and to be aware of the hidden forces that determine the plans of chess encounters. As a result you will significantly improve your understanding of chess, and your practical playing strength will rise." -- Mark Dvoretsky

Artur Yusupov's complete course of chess training stretches to nine volumes, guiding the reader towards a higher chess understanding using carefully selected positions and advice. To make sure that this new knowledge sticks, it is then tested by a selection of puzzles. The course is structured in three series with three levels. The Fundamentals level is the easiest one, Beyond the Basics is more challenging, and Mastery is quite difficult, even for stronger players. The various topics – Tactics, Strategy, Positional Play, Endgames, Calculating Variations, and Openings – are spread evenly across the nine volumes, giving readers the chance to improve every area as they work through the books. This book is the first volume at the Fundamentals level. The Build Up Your Chess series won the prestigious Boleslavsky Medal from FIDE (the World Chess Federation) as the best instructional chess books in the world.

Grandmaster Preparation

School of Future Champions 1

School of Chess Excellence

Boost Your Chess 2

Mastering Chess Strategy

Chess Evolution 2

**Offers techniques used by the Russian masters for recreational and competitive games.**

**Renowned grandmaster Artur Yusupov continues his "Build up Your Chess" chess-improvement course. Volume 1, The Fundamentals, showed club players the basic ideas they should know; Volume 2, Beyond the Basics, set off on the road to mastery, and now in Volume 3, Mastery, we arrive at our final destination. Yusupov guides the reader using carefully selected positions and advice. This new understanding is then tested by a series of puzzles.**

**Hellsten focuses exclusively on endgame play and covers every type of endgame: pawn, rook, minor piece and queen endgames. He examines many fundamental positions that everyone needs to know, as well as the key themes and characteristics of successful endgame play.**

**Chess Evolution 2 continues Yusupov's award-winning instructional series. The Fundamentals series shows players the basic ideas they should know, then the Beyond the Basics series sets off on the road to mastery. Yusupov guides the reader towards a higher level of chess understanding using carefully selected positions and advice. This new understanding is then tested by a series of puzzles.**

Technical and Positional

Beyond the basics

Chess Evolution

EEG

Secrets of Chess Training

Masterworks of Science Fiction and Fantasy

*The life force, also known as "spirit," is the essence of being and the conscious and most important form of energy. Living energy is personal and within our conscious control, and by learning about it, we can use it to transform our life into vibrant and meaningful expressions of who we really are. Consciousness is purely energetic and therefore difficult to quantify in mechanistic terms. It is the characteristic of living energy and is the foundation of awareness. Consciousness is the thread running through all life. Living Energy is an introduction to the process of mystic spirituality. The reader is encouraged to attain a deep and meaningful connection to the divine with expanded awareness. The principles given in this book are equally relevant to the novice and the advanced practitioner. Robert explains how we may reveal our hidden potential by shifting our perception away from what is customary and comfortable to open the doors to greater spiritual awareness.*

*This book is for chess players who want to build their skills on solid foundations. Yusupov guides the reader towards a higher level of chess understanding using carefully selected positions and advice. This new understanding is then tested by a series of puzzles.*

*Brought together in one volume are two of Jacob Aagaard's great books- Excelling at Technical Chess and Excelling at Positional Chess.*

*The Open Spanish is one of Black's most direct methods of fighting against the Ruy Lopez. Instead of subjecting himself to the so-called "Spanish torture" of the Closed Ruy Lopez, Black boldly captures the e4-pawn and provokes an early confrontation. Grandmaster Repertoire 13 - The Open Spanish provides a complete repertoire for Black after 1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4 Nf6, based on the Open Variation which occurs after 5.0-0 Nxe4. Black's system is built on the principles of fast and active development, and fighting for the initiative whenever the opportunity arises.*

*Practical Chess Exercises - Tactics, Strategy, Endgames*

*Massacre in Merano*

*Concise Chess Middlegames*

*Last Lectures*

*Living Energy*

*Fundamentals of the Game*

*This brisk retelling of Le Morte D'Arthur highlights the narrative drive, humor, and poignancy of Sir Thomas Malory's original while updating his fifteenth-century English and selectively pruning over-elaborate passages that can try the patience of modern readers. The result is an adaptation that readers can enjoy as a fresh approach to Malory's sprawling masterpiece. The book's most famous episodes--the sword in the stone, the cataclysmic final battle--are all here, while lesser-known key episodes stand forth with new brightness and clarity. The text is accompanied by an up-to-date bibliography, including websites and video resources, and a descriptive index keyed--like the retelling itself--to the book and chapter divisions of William Caxton's first printed edition of 1485.*

*Training with Moska is based on the best instructive material Moskalenko collected while working with amateurs for three decades. The book covers a wide variety of aspects of the game and the more than 500 instructive positions are accessible for players of different strengths. If you have an Elo rating between 1400 and 2100, this book will help you make a big step forward. With his famous light touch and humour Moskalenko explains the themes and concepts of his training material. Subsequently, he presents a multitude of typical examples and exercises and rounds off with large exams to test your understanding. As if you are attending one of his training sessions, your imagination and visualisation will improve, you will learn to recognize the intentions of your opponent, you will find out how to select between options before you start to calculate, and much more. You will experience what thousands did before you: Training with Moska is not just very useful, it is a lot of fun as well!*

*Have there been times during a game when you have tried to calculate like mad, but can find no rhyme or reason to your lines? Have you ever felt that the computer's suggestions in your post-mortem analysis make no sense to you? Ever felt like the man with a hammer, suspecting that the world may not be made up entirely of nails after all? In Positional Play Jacob Aagaard shares his simple three-step tool of positional analysis that he has used with club players and famous grandmasters to improve their positional decision-making. Working from the starting point that all players who aspire to play at international level have a certain amount of positional understanding, Aagaard lays out an easy-to-follow training plan that will improve everyone's intuition and positional decision-making.*

*King Arthur is one of the greatest legends of all time. From the magical moment when Arthur releases the sword in the stone to the quest for the Holy Grail and the final tragedy of the Last Battle, Roger Lancelyn Green brings the enchanting world of King Arthur stunningly to life. One of the greatest legends of all time, with an inspiring introduction by David Almond, award-winning author of Clay, Skellig, Kit's Wilderness and The Fire-Eaters.*

*Le Morte D'Arthur*

*My 60 Memorable Games*

*A Cunning Chess Opening Repertoire for White*

*The Fundamentals*

*Grandmaster Repertoire 4*

*Grandmaster Preparation: Positional Play*

**Mihail Marin reveals his own white repertoire with 1.c4, the English Opening. In Volume Two, Marin covers all Blacks replies to 1.c4 except 1...e5 and 1...c5. The theory is state-of-the-art with many novelties suggested, but most useful of all are Marin's lucid explanations of how to play the resulting positions. Features: Hundreds of novelties; A repertoire to last a lifetime; Written by an award-winning author.**

**This guide, intended for tournament players, addresses all the factors that indicate the correct choice of opening lead. The format challenges players to think for themselves before being presented with the solution.**

**\*WINNER OF THE BEST TRANSLATED BOOK AWARD USA\* \*SHORTLISTED FOR THE EBRD PRIZE\* \*SHORTLISTED FOR THE OXFORD-WEIDENFELD PRIZE\* "A writer and thinker of ever greater relevance, a voice whose wide-ranging screeds we ignore at our peril" CLAIRE MESSUD "Her work is of such power and scope that had she remained alive, she would have been a contender for the Nobel Prize in Literature" JOSIP NOVAKOVICH, Los Angeles Review of Books An urgent new novel about death, war and memory, and a bristling follow-on from Belladonna. In this extraordinary final work, Daša Drndić's combative, probing voice reaches new heights. In her relentless search for truth she delves into the darkest corners of our lives. And as she chastises, she also atones. Andreas Ban failed in his suicide attempt. Even as his body falters and his lungs constrict, he taps on the glass of history - an impenetrable case filled with silent figures - and tries to summon those imprisoned within. Mercilessly, fearlessly, he continues to dissect society and his environment, shunning all favours as he goes after the evils and hidden secrets of others. History remembers the names of perpetrators, not of the victims. Ban travels from Rijeka to Rovinj in nearby Istria, from Belgrade to Toronto to Tirana, from Parisian avenues to Italian palazzi. Ghosts follow him wherever he goes: chess grandmasters who disappeared during WWII; the lost inhabitants of Latvia; war criminals who found work in the C.I.A. and died peacefully in their beds. Ban's family is with him too: those he has lost and those with one foot in the grave. As if left with only a few pieces in a chess game, Andreas Ban plays a stunning last match against Death. Translated from the Croatian by Celia Hawkesworth**

**Chess Evolution 2 Beyond the Basics**

**RUSSIAN CHESS**

**Mastery**

**The Game of Shogi**

**Karpov-Korchnoi**

**Build Up Your Chess with Artur Yusupov**

**An Essential Guide to Pawn Structures**

All the Everyman Chess books are organized in a structured style and are also presented in a series of levels. The styles encompass Openings (O); Games Collections ((G); and Training (T). The levels are arranged as follows: Children C]; Novice (N); Club (C); and Advanced (A).

In this easy-to-read pocket-sized guide, Grandmaster Neil McDonald concentrates on the fundamentals of middlegame play in chess. He provides simply enough material so that readers can enter this part of the game with the knowledge and confidence required.

Jan Timman is one of the greatest chess players never to win the world title. For many years 'the Best of the West' belonged to the chess elite, collecting quite a few super tournament victories. Three times Timman was a Candidate for the World Championship and his peak in the world rankings was second place, in 1982. For this definitive collection, Timman has revisited his career and subjected his finest efforts to fresh analysis supported by modern technology. The result is startling and fascinating. From the games that he chose for his Timman's Selected Games (1994, also published as Chess the Adventurous Way), only 10(!) made the cut. Some games that he had been proud of turned out to be flawed, others that he remembered as messy were actually well played. Timman's Triumphs includes wins against great players such as Karpov, Kasparov, Korchnoi, Smyslov, Tal, Spassky, Bronstein, Larsen and Topalov. The annotations are in the author's trademark lucid style, a happy mix of colourful background information and sharp, crystal-clear explanations. Once again Jan Timman shows that he is not only one of the best players the game has seen, but also as one of the best chess analysts and writers.

Two bizarre tales: the first marks the beginning of the illustrious Holmes and Watson crime-solving partnership; the second leads the investigative pair on a terrifying mission to the dark heart of London.

Mastering Chess Middlegames

Winning Chess Middlegames

The Woodpecker Method

Excelling at Chess

Opening Developments

Mastering Endgame Strategy

**Have there been times during a chess game when you have calculated for half an hour, only to find that most of what you were thinking was of little use? This book will offer you**

**practical advice and an effective training plan to think differently and make decisions far more efficiently. Thinking methods such as Candidates, Combinations, Prophylaxis, Comparison, Elimination, Intermediate Moves, Imagination and Traps are explained, with a carefully selected series of exercises.**

**Finally this modern classic is back in print! Ever wondered why grandmasters take only seconds to see what's really going on in a chess position? It's all about structures, as Ivan Sokolov explains in this groundbreaking book. Winning Chess Middlegames addresses the often ignored but extremely important topic of pawn structures, divided into 4 main types: doubled pawns, isolated pawns, hanging pawns and pawn majorities. With its highly accessible verbal explanations and deep analyses of top-level games, this book helps you to solve the basic problems of the middlegame: space, tension and initiative. Club players studying Winning Chess Middlegames will: -- greatly enhance their middlegame skills -- develop an accurate feeling as to which particular positions suit their style -- acquire new strategic and practical opening knowledge Ivan Sokolov explains matters profoundly, honestly and objectively, and includes lots of inside stories from top-level chess, neither sparing his colleague grandmasters nor himself in his comments.**

**The world's top trainer, Mark Dvoretsky, and one of his best-known pupils, grandmaster Artur Yusupov, present a five-volume series based on courses given to talented young players throughout the world. The books contain contributions by other leading trainers and grandmasters, as well as games by pupils who have attended the courses. The final volume of the series deals with various creative aspects, such as the calculation of variations and the development of intuition. It also explores the psychology of taking decisions, both when attacking and when defending.**

**The Woodpecker Method is the name given by Axel Smith to a training system developed by his compatriot Hans Tikkanen. After training with his method in 2010, Tikkanen achieved three GM norms within a seven-week period. This book contains everything you need to carry out your own Woodpecker training. Smith and Tikkanen explain how to get the maximum benefit from the method, before presenting over 1100 puzzles and solutions.**

**The English Opening**

**Japanese Chess**

**Opening Preparation**

**The Open Spanish**

**Build Up Your Chess 1**

**Secrets of Creative Thinking**

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Grandmaster Johan Hellsten is convinced that mastering chess strategy - just like chess tactics - requires practice, practice and yet more practice! This outstanding book is a product of his many years' work as a full-time chess teacher, and is specifically designed as part of a structured training programme to improve strategic thinking. It focuses on a wide range of key subjects and provides a basic foundation for strategic play. Furthermore, in addition to the many examples, there's an abundance of carefully selected exercises which allow readers to monitor their progress and put into practice what they have just learned. Following such a course is an ideal way for players of all standards to improve. Although designed mainly for students, this book is also an excellent resource for chess teachers and trainers. An essential course in chess strategy. Contains over 400 pages of Grandmaster advice. Includes more than 350 training exercises.

Analyses of six games played by contemporary Russian masters are used to explain chess logic.

Pump Up Your Rating

Training with Moska

Lectures from the All-Russian School of Grandmasters

Calculation

Timman's Triumphs

### A Study in Scarlet and The Sign of Four

This is the fourth in the series of phenomenally successful training manuals by the world's leading trainer and his star pupil. By instilling players with an understanding of persistent positional features, they stress the features of positional play most relevant to the practical struggle, assuring over-the-board success. Beginner

Grandmaster Alexander Panchenko (1953-2009) was one of the most successful chess trainers in the Soviet Union, and later in Russia. Panchenko ran a legendary chess school that specialised in turning promising players into masters. The secret of his success were his dedication and enthusiasm as a teacher combined with his outstanding training materials. 'Pancha' provided his pupils with systematic knowledge, deep understanding and the ability to take practical decisions. Now, Panchenko's classic Mastering Chess Middlegames is for the first time available in translation, giving club-players around the world access to this unique training method. The book contains a collection of inspiring lessons on the most important middlegame topics: attack, defence, counterplay, realising the advantage, obstructing the plans of your opponent, the battle of the heavy pieces, and much more. In each chapter, Panchenko clearly identifies the various aspects of the topic, formulates easy-to-grasp rules, presents a large number of well-chosen examples and ends with a wealth of practical tests. The brilliance of Alexander Panchenko's didactic method shines through in this book. It is hard to give better advice for ambitious chess players than to follow this tried-and-tested and highly instructive road towards mastering the chess middlegame.

The Petroff Defence is considered as one of Black's most reliable methods of meeting the king's pawn opening. By counterattacking as early as move two, Black avoids the hazards of having to face lines such as the Scotch Opening, the Italian Game and the 'Spanish torture' of the Ruy Lopez. An early breach of a central file together with active piece play for both sides characterizes the Petroff as a typical king's pawn opening. Until a few years ago, the Petroff opening was favored only by a few top Grandmasters, including Anatoly Karpov and Artur Yusupov. However, the last few years have seen a dramatic rise in its popularity, and it now provides battlefields for many clashes of the modern elite players, including Kasparov, Kramnik, Anand, Leko, Topalov and England's Michael Adams. This is bound to have a positive effect on its popularity at club level. In this book, openings experts Alexander Raetsky and Maxim Chetverik study the typical plans and tactics for both White and Black in this complex opening. Using illustrative games, the authors provide up-to-date coverage of a line that has experienced a major overhaul in the last decade. \*Written by renowned opening theoreticians \*Ideal for club and tournament players \*All main lines are covered \*Provides everything you need to know to play the opening with confidence

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Endgame Strategy

King Arthur and His Knights of the Round Table

My 100 Best Games

The Chess Legacy of Jose Raoul Capablanca

The Secrets of the Russian Chess Masters

The Sentinel

A good opening repertoire need not require an enormous amount of study to be highly effective. A cunning choice of lines and move-orders can steer the game to positions we like and deny the opponent his preferred strategies. In this book, highly experienced chess opening writer Graham Burgess presents a repertoire based on 1 d4 and precisely those aims. Black's possibilities for counterplay - and sharp gambit play - are kept to a minimum. Our aim is to give Black exactly the type of position he does not want. If he is seeking blocked positions with pawn-chains, we'll keep the game fluid. If he wants complex strategy, we'll attack him with simple piece-play. Simplifications? No thanks. We'll keep the pieces on and intensify the battle. Gambits? Hardly, as we simply prevent most of them! The main cornerstones of the repertoire are carefully chosen Queen's Pawn lines, the Torre Attack (vs ...e6), and a variety of fianchetto options against the King's Indian and related set-ups. White's position is kept highly flexible, with many possible transpositions to a wide variety of systems that the reader can use to extend and vary the repertoire. The book features a wealth of new ideas and original analysis. Graham Burgess is Gambit's Editorial Director, and one of the founders of the company. He holds the world record for marathon blitz chess playing, and lives in Minnesota. This is his 23rd chess book.

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.

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Beyond the Basics

Build Up Your Chess 3-Mastery

Positional Play

Petroff Defence