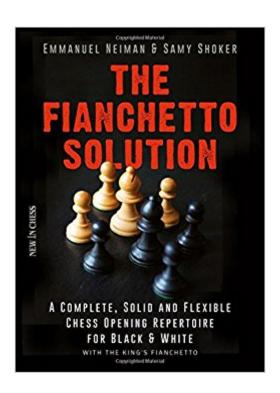


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The Fianchetto Solution: A Complete, Solid And Flexible Chess Opening Repertoire For Black & White - With The King's Fianchetto (New In Chess)





Synopsis

When experienced chess teacher Emmanuel Neiman learned that some of his pupils hesitated to play in competitions for fear of being crushed in the opening, he wanted to help. Neiman knew that amateurs have little time to seriously study opening theory, so he had to come up with a practical, complete, easy to learn and solid opening repertoire that would not outdate rapidly. And that is what he did. Neiman advises amateurs to play (with both colours!) the flexible King's Fianchetto system, where the Bishop is a defender of the King and at the same time an attacker. No matter what side you are, you use the same basic ideas: as White you are targeting the white squares and as Black the black squares, while applying roughly the same strategies, plans and tactical motifs. Neiman has teamed up with Samy Shoker, who gained the Grandmaster title by mainly playing the King's Fianchetto systems (and sometimes beating 2700+ rated players with it!). The result is a complete and practical repertoire which will give club players a solid and flexible middlegame position they can feel at home in, without the arduous task of memorizing long and forcing variations. Neiman and Shoker don't promise you a large advantage if you play their system, but one thing is certain: after studying this entertaining book you can play the opening confidently and you will be a better all-round player because you have learned many essential middlegame lessons. Even (very) strong players will find their ideas useful as an easy-to-play occasional weapon.

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Customer Reviews

"The idea of the book convinces: to provide readers with opening tracks that they can use with both black and white (...) It will be a good help to obtain a playable repertoire for chess friends who don't

have much time and whose ambitions are not sky-high." (Uwe Bekemann, German Correspondence Chess Federation)"An excellent textbook for the majority of us mortals that are hooked on chess." (B.H. Wilders Nederlands Dagblad)"In all critical variations various alternatives are offered (...) The authors are not just presenting theory and new developments. They also explain lots of strategic ideas, so that you can recognize the weak points in your opponents structure." (Dirk Schuh)" What openings do the authors recommend? The answer for White is to play a Reversed King's Indian Attack and, as Black, the Modern. This seems rather sensible (...) The authors give sample illustrative games and examples of how to play certain middlegames. A positive approach to learning openings without having to do lots of work." (Gary Lane, International Master English Chess Federation Newsletter)

Samy Shoker (1987) is an International Grandmaster who plays for Egypt. Emmanuel Neiman (1964) is a FIDE Master who teaches chess in his home country France. He is the (co)author of Invisible Chess Moves and Tune Your Chess Tactics Antenna, highly successful books on tactics and training.

Book gives you plans on how to handle positions with a fianchetto bishop. Good games with good explanations. Anyone playing fianchetto positions can learn from this book.

If you read and study this book, and then decide that you may not actually be comfortable with this opening, your time, I suggest, would not have been wasted. On the other hand, I would encourage all chess students to give this opening, at least, an occasional try. Reading and studying this book for me was time well spent (My ELO is +2000). The title of this book could also be called "A Deep Introduction to Fianchetto Positions." Most chess student, who are deficient in their knowledge on this topic, would find this book's study to be of benefit. The only draw back for some advanced chess players is if you are looking for some type of encyclopedic tree of variations on various fianchetto openings, this book will not offer such material to you, since the book's purpose, in my opinion, is of higher value, and that is to cover and explorer it's very interesting fianchetto topic. Finally. my Kindle reader worked just fine with this ebook.

Probably a great book, but nearly impossible to read as a Kindle ebook! The symbols of the pieces are replaced by (Russian?) letters, and in the text it is often not clear if you are navigating the main line or a variation...Shame!

"The Fianchetto Solution" is an opening repertoire book that stands out. What convinces me:- A repertoire that is consistent and can be used as Black and as White (for Black: Kings Indian Defence / Modern / Pirc; for White: Kings Indian Attack, only rare deviations of that scheme)- Good explanations instead of tons of Variations, understandable for the average club player and the ambitionned patzer.- They don't sell you "dangerous weapon" that kills 'em all, but a solid repertoire. In the focus are playable, non-dry positions.- A book that was obviously written with passion, it reminds me of "Pirc Alert! (Alburt, Chernev) which is probably the best opening book.- Good exemplification of returning structures and motives, and not to forget the perils.- Illustrative games and exercises.- The authors complement one another (solid vs. adventurous) and sometimes when they disagree on a continuation they offer two variations, one solid and one intricate. The only shortcoming of the book is that the part with the repertoire for white is a bit short. The authors point out that, when you know the "black part" of the repertoire (motivs, structures), you can "transfer" it to the white side. That is surely the case, however as a chess player with average (or maybe mediocre) skills, I would have appreciated some more explanations/examples regarding that. A more detailed table of contents would have helped me, too. I give the book 4 and a half star with a clear conscience, and I can hardly put it aside.

The Kindle version downloaded WITHOUT the proper notation (pieces are not designated in the algebraic notation). I downloaded it to my Fire and my Android Smartpone with the same poor results. And returning this eBook has been a very frustrating experience as I have not been able to work my way through it yet.

I found the book to have too many flaws. First, there is not an index that is usable. If you want to find a specific defense you have to thumb through some pages. Second, the arrangement of the book is difficult to follow, though interesting. For example: Strategic Motif 4.4 on page 193 "The d4 square" could be confusing because the authors are using a motif borrowed from the black defense (kings indian) to illustrate a white position. Shouldn't that by "the d5 square?" Third, the authors do get material on some lesser known defenses (example: page 194 "Reversed Pirc" 1.Nf3 Nc6), but I could not find anything on the popular defense d5/c5/Nc6/e6/g6/Bg7/Nge7. Also on this topic, in the "Reversed Pirc" the authors suggest an alternative of 1.Nf3 Nc6 2.d4 which is thoroughly outside the boundaries of their own suggested repertoire. Lastly, some of the analysis was not well researched - page 51 Austrian Attack they suggest the line 1.e4 g6 2.d4 Bg7 3.Nc3 d6 4.f4 Nc6 and

fail to even mention 5.Bb5 which has been a crimp in the line (See Velimirovic - Davies 1991). I want to like this book, there is some very good material, still it can be a slog to go through. I could suggest this book as a starter for a player who is just starting out playing the king fianchetto openings but, its value diminished very quickly for me

good book

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