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*Mastering the French* Modernized  
 The French Defense is one of the most popular and reliable responses to 1.e4. This book covers the most critical variation of the Winawer, which occurs after the opening moves 1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.e5 c5 5.a3 Bxc3† 6.bxc3 Ne7 7.Qg4. This volume presents three contrasting ways of meeting White's aggressive opening system: 7...cxd4 leading to the notorious Winawer Poisoned Pawn; 7...0-0 8.Bd3 f5, a solid yet strategically complex system; and 7...0-0 8.Bd3 Nbc6, which leads to a tense, full-blooded battle.  
*French Defence 3Nd2* Everyman Chess  
 In Dangerous Weapons: The French, John Watson takes a revolutionary look at one of the most famous and widely-played

chess openings: the French Defence. Instead of travelling down well-trodden and analyzed paths, Watson concentrates on fresh or little-explored variations of the French, selecting a wealth of 'dangerous' options for both White and Black.  
**French Defence** SCB Distributors  
 The theory behind the French Defense has grown so exponentially that it takes three entire volumes to cover it all; here is the first, written by the recognized master of the move. Former Soviet champion Lev Psakhis covers the sequence 1 e4 e6 2 d4 d5 3 nd2, known as the "Tarrasch variation." Though it has long been known to provide excellent attacking prospects for white, a younger generation of players has amply demonstrated that the Tarrasch has many exciting counterattacking resources, too. With a wide choice of games to demonstrate the strategies, plus more than 200 illustrations and a

discussion of rare lines, this up-to-date, comprehensive manual is a must for players hoping to improve their skills.  
*Winawer* Editions Olms  
 Grandmaster Dejan Antic and International Master Branimir Maksimovic have written a book that will change the way chess players look at the French Defence, one of the most popular chess openings. Black players in a French Defence have sound options like undermining the White center or playing against a damaged pawn structure. Once you have really mastered the black side in the French, you possess such a powerful weapon that even strong players will think twice what to play against you. This is a complete and up-to-date book for players of all levels, with brand-new concepts in topical modern lines such as the Steinitz, McCutcheon and Morozevich Variation. Antic and Maksimovic explain strategic concepts and

methods of attack, and present numerous novelties and new tactical ideas in all French main lines. But they have also developed several sidelines into deadly surprise weapons. The conclusion is clear: Black is OK in the French!

#### **Basic Course** New In Chess

The French Defence is a classical opening that has featured in the repertoire of many elite grandmasters. Black generally concedes a slight spacial disadvantage early but in return gains a sound structure and middlegame opportunities to undermine the white centre. A close study of the French Defence can be very rewarding for all players as the structures and themes that arise are found in numerous other openings. In this book grandmaster Damian Lemos guides the reader through the complexities of this dynamic opening and explores all the important variations. This series provides an ideal platform to study chess openings. By continually challenging the reader to answer probing questions throughout the book, the Move by Move format greatly encourages the learning and practising of vital skills just as much as the traditional assimilation of opening knowledge.

Carefully selected questions and answers are designed to keep you actively involved and allow you to monitor your progress as you learn. This is an excellent way to study any chess opening and at the same time improve your general chess skills and knowledge. \* Essential guidance and training in the French Defence \* Analyses all key variations \* Utilizes an ideal Q+A approach to chess study

#### *Chess Opening News* Chess Opening Games

Simon Williams presents an opening repertoire for Black with the French Defence. He combines his unique attacking ideas with the traditionally solid French structure to produce a powerful armoury of weapons for Black.

#### Strategic Explanations and Surprise Weapons for Dynamic Chess Players Gambit

The French Defense is one of the most solid and strategically rich responses to 1.e4. Many chess opening lines have been analyzed to death by computer, but the French is relatively resistant to this growing trend, as the characteristic blocked pawn centre leads to situations where a player with superior understanding can overcome an opponent whose expertise lies in computer-assisted preparation. Acclaimed authors Ntirlis and Aagaard present a complete repertoire for Black based on 3.Nc3 Nf6 and 3.Nd2 c5. With many new discoveries and detailed explanations of positional and strategic

motifs, this book is essential reading for those playing this complex opening with either color.

#### **The Modernized French Defense - Volume 2: Against the Tarrasch** New In Chess, Csi

New In Chess Yearbook, which appears four times a year, contains all major new chess opening developments in 35 chapters. Each issue brings you dozens of new ideas on the cutting edge of modern chess theory. An accessible way to keep up to date with main line opening theory. Indispensable for advanced players.

#### A New Concept Grandmaster Guide

This book continues the coverage of the French Defence that was begun by Pedersen in *The Main Line French: 3 Nc3*. It is essential reading for all those who play the French, and for those who meet it with the popular and flexible Tarrasch Variation. The Tarrasch Variation provides a stern test for the French Defence, and has always been a favourite of strategically minded players, such as Michael Adams and Anatoly Karpov. By putting his knight on d2, White seeks to give his opponent little scope for counterplay, and in many of the traditional lines ends up with a slight positional advantage that can prove extremely difficult to neutralize. This has led to Black developing various sharper approaches, which complicate the play considerably at the cost of greater risk. Notable among these lines are systems with 3...Nf6 where Black sacrifices material to gain the initiative, and the modern main line 3...c5 4 exd5 Qxd5, where Black keeps his pawn-structure healthy at the cost of some tempi. To get the most out of these lines as either colour, thorough up-to-date knowledge is essential, and this book supplies it in abundance.

#### *A Dynamic Repertoire for Black* Batsford

The French Defence is a highly reliable response to 1 e4 which is popular at all levels. With the first two moves, Black creates a solid foundation in the centre and seeks to put pressure on White's position in the early middlegame. In this book, International Master Cyrus Lakdawala explains the basic ideas in the French and examines the important variations. The key ideas are emphasized with notes, tips and warnings and the reader's understanding is tested with frequent exercises. This book tells you everything you need to know in order to take your first steps with the French Defence. *First Steps* is a new opening series and is ideal for improving players who want simple and straightforward explanations. *First Steps* emphasizes: \* the basic principles \* the basic strategies \*

the key tricks and traps *First Steps* books are based around carefully selected instructive games which demonstrate exactly what both sides are trying to achieve. There is enough theory to enable the improving player to get to grips with the opening without feeling overwhelmed. If you want to take up a new opening, *First Steps* is the ideal place to start.

#### **How to Play Against 1e4** SCB

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A tremendously popular opening for both club players & grandmasters.

#### **The Exchange French Comes to Life** Everyman Chess

The French Defence is a perennial favourite with players of all temperaments. Gary Lane has had a great deal of experience of meeting the French in both national and international competitions, and in this book he examines his play and recommends a clear repertoire for beating the French, whether Black opts for a solid or active approach. The solution offered is the Advance Variation which for years has been a favourite of Evgeny Scheshnikov, and more recently Viswanathan Anand and Nigel Short. By using the methods discovered by these and other grandmasters, White can obtain dangerous attacking chances thus limiting Black's counterplay.

#### **Sharp, Surprising and Forcing Lines for Black and White** B T Batsford Limited

The well-known grandmaster and theoretician Evgeny Sveshnikov has used the Closed Variation more than 150 times in tournament play with a score of more than 70%. Many theoretically important games have been excluded by the author from 'official' chess databases, and here they are exclusively published for the first time. The present Volume 1 (Basic Course) contains the following main chapters - Historical overview of the Closed Variation; Plans for White and Black on the basis of thoroughly annotated games; A lesson on the blockade; 70 test positions - what would you play?

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#### The Super-Solid Rubinstein Variation New In Chess

The Tarrasch Variation is White's soundest response to the French Defence and is favoured by positional and tactical players

alike.

**The French** R. H. M. Press

Welcome to the French Defence chess opening after 1.e4 e6. Tim Sawyer analyzes 122 games. This 2016 expanded version has updated commentary, and an Index of Names to Games. The author tells stories and explains chess opening strategy. In a French Defence game you want to win! Spice up your play with the Alapin Diemer Gambit. Discover new ideas in the Advance Variation. Choose the Classical, MacCutcheon or French Winawer. Focus on active piece play with the Tarrasch Variation. Or boldly try to transpose to the Blackmar-Diemer Gambit in answer to the Burn Variation. Most of the games see White playing 3.Be3, 3.Nd2 or 3.Nc3. Many were played by the author against masters, experts and club players over 45 years of play. The author shows you typical examples in this proven defence. Follow ideas to surprise your opponent and win. The games tell stories about fascinating chess players. Examine a variety of openings from main lines to gambits. Find creative ideas and ways to improve. Have fun playing. Enjoy this book!

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*1. E4 Vs the French, Caro-Kann and Philidor* New In Chess, Csi

The Dutch chess opening is one of Black's most ambitious replies to 1.d4, with 1...f5 creating asymmetrical and richly complex play. Mihail Marin is the ideal author to explain both the strategic ideas and the latest theory. Dutch Sidelines covers lines where White does not fianchetto the king's bishop, including options such as 2.Bg5, 2.Nc3 and various gambits. Extensive guidance is also given on how to meet

1.c4 and 1.Nf3 in Dutch style.

The French Defence 2 Modernized

It's not easy finding a good opening to play against 1 e4, especially if you don't have endless time available to study the latest theoretical developments. If you choose fashionable openings, it's often a necessity to keep pace with modern theory if you want to succeed with Black. This book provides a solution. Neil McDonald advocates his favourite opening - the very popular French Defence - but chooses a repertoire for Black that requires only the minimum amount of move memorization. The lines he selects are very easy to learn and play - perfect for those who are unwilling to be slaves to opening theory. But there's also something here for more experienced players, as McDonald goes on to offer a second repertoire based on counter-attacking lines against 3 Nc3 and 3 Nd2. \*An easy-to-learn defence against 1 e4\*Provides solutions to all of White's options\*Written by a world-renowned expert on the French\*Ideal for improvers, club players and tournament players English Grandmaster Neil McDonald is an experienced and successful player on the international chess circuit. He is a respected chess coach, who has trained many of the UK's strongest junior players. McDonald is also a talented chess writer and has many outstanding works to his name.

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