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The World Chess Champions from 1886 until today

They were child prodigies and scientists, eccentrics and artists: the players who won the World Chess Championship in the last 130 years. This book portrays all of them: The American genius Bobby Fischer and his Russian opponent Boris Spassky (whose preparation for the "Match of the Century" in 1972 included playing tennis!). The Russian Vasily Smyslov who was not only good at chess but an excellent opera singer at that. And Norwegian poster boy Magnus Carlsen who has been dubbed the "Justin Bieber of chess". Full of anecdotes and brilliant combinations, this book is a must read for any chess lover!

The author

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Sales points

- Large target audience: This book addresses all lovers of chess, beginners as well as advanced players.
- It's the perfect gift for any chess fan.
- Increasing popularity of chess in recent years – not least due to Magnus Carlsen.



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World Chess Champions portrayed

- Wilhelm Steinitz (World Chess Champion 1886–1894)
- Emanuel Lasker (1894–1921)
- Jose Raul Capablanca (1921–1927)
- Alexander Alekhine (1927–1935, 1937–1946)
- Max Euwe (1935–1937)
- Mikhail Botvinnik (1948–1957, 1958–1960, 1961–1963)
- Vasily Smyslov (1957–1958)
- Mikhail Tal (1960–1961)
- Tigran Petrosian (1963–1969)
- Boris Spassky (1969–1972)
- Bobby Fischer (1972–1975)
- Anatoly Karpov (1975–1985)
- Garry Kasparov (1985–2000)
- Vladimir Kramnik (2000–2007)
- Viswanathan Anand (2007–2013)
- Magnus Carlsen (2013–current)