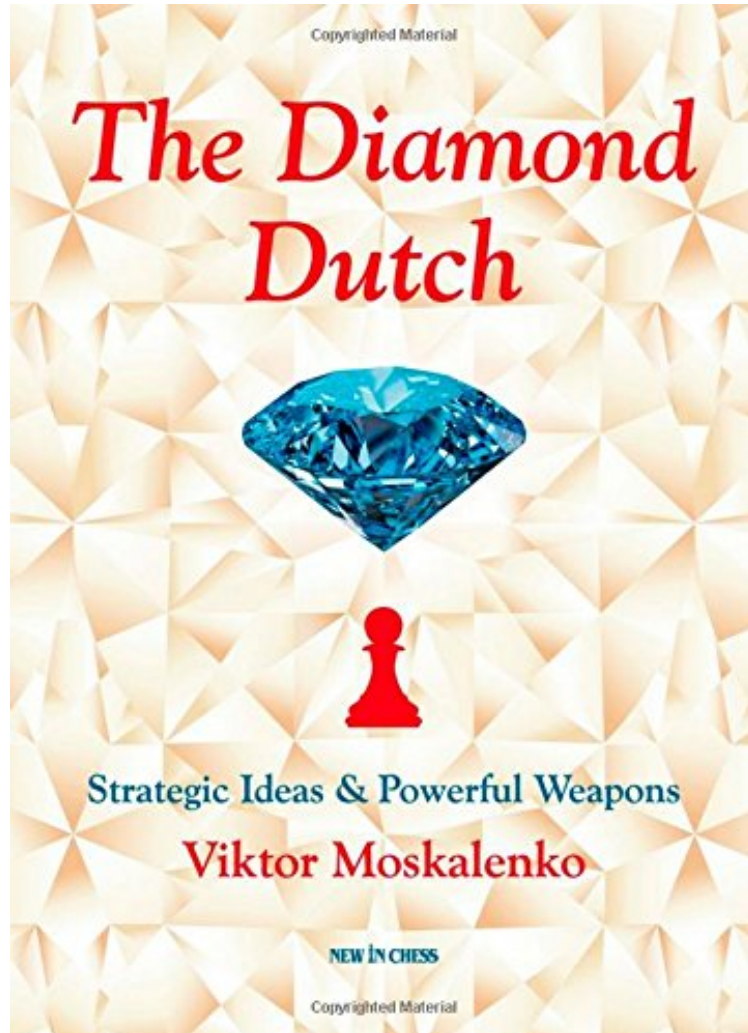


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completely objective in his analysis. It is readily apparent that he has championed the Stonewall system on a tournament level which thus grants him practical insights into the system. Moskalenko addresses the material thoroughly with clear and astute language that makes it an easy (relatively speaking, because we ARE talking about a chess Opening here) enjoyable read. It would appear that variations he presents have been computer checked as well. I say this for I always read/study my Opening Books with at least one strong computer program running. Note too that a humans' veteran perspective on the Dutch Stonewall, IMHO, is requisite. This is because even today's top chess programs have some difficulty understanding 'closed positions' of which the Stonewall has many. I am not poor man. Neither am I overflowing with money. Yet I would have bought the book solely if it only contained a certain 2 pages on the Stonewall that are present in this book!! On the said pages (if I get time I will look up the page number and include in this review later if possible) he presents an analyzed game that gets deep into the Spirit of Thinking that is simply required to play the Stonewall that is unique to this variation! PLUS! There is one attending 'Dutch Chess Problem' diagram that is REQUIRED for understanding the archetypes of the mind set of the Stonewall! So then. You get all this AND the other variations as well! But Wait! There is MORE! He offers excellent Stonewall lines against the English, Reti and King's Indian Attack. So then to sum up. If you wanna study the Classical dutch, go first to Robert Bellin and only then to Simon William's books/DVDs. For the Leningrad Dutch the good books are legion. But for the Stonewall go FIRST to Moskalenko!7 of 7 people found the following review helpful. Great information on the Dutch whether you're playing black or whiteBy Marsha B. RupeI played this opening for years, while learning, and gave it up as what I thought at the time was a generally unsound opening. However, I've taken it up again after reading this book and had pretty good success. This book has helped me win using this opening as black. As a bonus, I've learned how to attack it as white (2. Nc3 and 2. Bg5). Highly recommended and great instructional style.3 of 4 people found the following review helpful. Detailed explanation of defenses to the gambit lines like the StauntonBy Kenneth K. Raymondtruly exceptional book. Stonewall Dutch expert writing about all three variants of the dutch defense.Detailed explanation of defenses to the gambit lines like the Staunton gambit

Grandmaster Viktor Moskalenko shakes up the lines of yet another chess opening! For those who have the Dutch Defense in their repertoire or play against it, this brings an explosive mixture of danger and opportunity. Danger if you stick to your old ways, opportunity if you are ready to take up Moskalenko's new weapons or his refutations of old ones.Moskalenko covers the Anti-Dutch, Leningrad, Stonewall and Classical variations. He guides you through this ground-breaking opening book with the enthusiasm, the ease and the humor that characterize his style.For The Diamond Dutch goes what chess star Vassily Ivanchuk said about Moskalenko's previous work The Perfect Pirc-Modern: This book will undoubtedly help you to master not just the Pirc and Modern Defences, but also to systematize and perfect your understanding of the key points of other openings.

Moskalenko's explanations are understandable and convincing, his tips and recommendations show his great know-how and the reader always has the pleasant feeling that he is learning something new. (Martin Rieger Schachwelt)These days there is a tendency for books on the Dutch to touch only one system, here you have everything, and even with handy antidotes from White's point of view. There are plenty of themes and general strategy for more modest readers, as well as some cutting-edge theory which will challenge opponents of all standards. Books by Viktor Moskalenko are always great fun. They are the perfect medicine if you suffer from opening preparation blues! For anyone who comes into contact with the Dutch, a gem and a valuable one at that! (Grandmaster Glenn Flear, author of Starting Out: Open Games)Moskalenko makes the book as user-friendly as possible, with little stories, highlighted tactics, transpositional subtleties and other helpful tidbits. A fascinating collection of analyses of the Dutch, and I can't imagine why any player using this opening would want to do without it. (Dennis Monokroussos Chess Today)With a plethora of new ideas, sparkling games and delivered in very enthusiastic style, The Diamond Dutch is a significant addition to the literature on 1.d4 f5. It is entirely accessible to players from improving club player standard upwards. Viktor Moskalenko is one of my favorite authors and I can happily recommend his latest book, which keeps up the very high standards of his previous volumes. (Marshtower Chess s)Those who have read Moskalenko before, know that he only writes about things he is a great expert in. This book will be of great value to many players. (Lukas Wedrechowski dailychess.org)A very good basis for both Black and White to understand the ideas behind the Dutch Defence and learn and play many new lines. (Uwe Bekemann German Correspondence Chess Federation)What makes this book compelling is the intensity of its cutting-edge lines, but organized for maximum understanding and readability. Like a well-ordered mathematics text, shaded boxes enclose important points. Those boxes denote weapons, puzzles, traps, and chapter summaries for better clarity. Club and tournament players will enjoy the many illustrative games. An eminently enjoyable book. (John D. Warth, This title is destined to be a classic... Chess Club of Southern Indiana)