

09-1998 [B-0526] Excalibur - King Arthur Deluxe

Van de 'King Arthur' zijn er minstens twee verschillende modellen geproduceerd en dit is volgens mijn persoonlijke mening de fraaiste uitvoering. Een kunststof model met een 'houtlook'. Na 10 jaar is deze luxe versie in de U.S.A. nog steeds te koop, en dat is eigenlijk vrij uitzonderlijk te noemen. Jammer dat de firma Niggemann dit model niet in zijn assortiment heeft opgenomen. Over de exacte speelsterkte tast ik in het duister, maar een speelsterkte van meer dan 1500 Elo-rating zou mij verbazen. Nergens zijn er technische gegevens te vinden, want daar zwijgt Excalibur vaak over en dat is eigenlijk nergens voor nodig.

Description

- Model number: 915W
- Magnetic sensory chessboard and pieces
- Large 7-digit LCD display
- LCD screen has adjustable contrast for easier viewing
- Displays position score evaluation at all times to a tenth of a pawn
- Tournament strength -1750 USCF-rating with speed and action chess levels
- 73 Levels of play and more than 1000 level settings
- 16 Famous historic games to play, and learn
- 34 Selectable book openings for play or practice
- Classic opening trainer lets you learn 34 famous chess openings
- Checkmate trainer with 32 challenging checkmate problems, allows you to solve problems of up to mate in 3
- Hint function will suggest a move to you if you need help
- Rating feature gives you a personal rating after each game and stores it in memory to track improvement
- Computer records wins, loses, and draws
- Move function will force the computer to immediately make the best move it has found so far
- Multi-move mode allows you to enter a special sequence of moves, i.e. a particular chess opening or moves you found in a chess book
- 1 or 2 player mode with scoring, hints and analysis
- Computer can act as a referee between you and a friend to make sure you both follow the rules of chess
- Swap sides with computer during game
- Computer can play itself
- Take-back all past moves of the game
- Coach Mode - protects user against tactical blunders by warning of them
- Threat Warning - will warn you if a valuable piece is in danger
- Chess Clock with countdown timer
- Saves Game in memory
- Magnetic board & pieces
- Piece storage compartment hidden under bottom
- Sound effects (can be disabled)
- Includes instructions in English
- Requires 3 AA batteries
- The actual board measures 8 x 8 while the entire unit measures 10 x 12 inch
- For the accomplished chess player, provides a fun way to play blindfold chess



Programmierer / Programmer

- Ron Nelson?

Baujahr / Release

- Erste Einführung: September? 1998?

Technische Daten / Technical specifications

- Mikroprozessor: ?
- Taktfrequenz: ?
- Programmspeicher: ?
- Arbeitsspeicher: ?

Spielstärke / Playing strength

- Spielstärke (DWZ): ca. 1500?

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