

### 03-1987 [C-8051] Chess King - Counter Gambit

De verschijningsdatum van de Counter Gambit moet vlak na de Neurenbergse speelgoedbeurs zijn geweest. Veel zijn er niet verkocht, want een dergelijk exemplaar kom je bij eBay of Marktplaats zelden tegen! Chess King Counter Gambit is prima voor de beginnende schaker!



## Chess King Counter Gambit

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### Europa-Rochade, März 1987, H.-P. Ketterling: Neuigkeiten aus Nürnberg

... Seit vielen Jahren hat es sich eingebürgert, daß Schachcomputerneuheiten jeweils im Februar auf der Nürnberger Spielwarenmesse vorgestellt werden. Hersteller und Importeure aller namhaften Marken geben sich dort ein Stelldichein und gelegentlich kann man auch prominente Schachprogrammierer treffen, diesmal ließ es sich gar Weltmeister Garry Kasparov nicht nehmen, sich persönlich für die von ihm unterstützte Marke einzusetzen. Schachcomputer haben längst nicht mehr den Reiz des Neuen, bisher wurden in Nürnberg jedoch stets neue Überraschungen serviert und so ist die Spielwarenmesse immer wieder interessant. Chess King ist eine hierzulande bisher wenig aktive Firma, die aber in der Vergangenheit schon in Nürnberg auftrat. In diesem Jahr hatte Spiritus Rector David Levy wohl anderes zu tun. Kurz nach der Messe stellte sich jedoch heraus, daß Chess King in Deutschland einen neuen Absatzweg gefunden hat. Ossi Weiner, dessen Hobby Computer Centrale HCC neuerdings für sich in Anspruch nimmt, der weltgrößte Schachcomputerhändler zu sein, hat den Vertrieb von Chess King übernommen. ... Chess King Counter Gambit ist wie Chess King Philidor gestaltet, enthält jedoch das Programm von Chess King Triomphe und kostet nur DM 198,00.



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**Chess King is the world's only manufacturer of Chess Computers to be owned and managed by internationally renowned chess players.**

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**Chess King has its own manufacturing premises in England.**

Our factory is equipped with the latest machinery for flow soldering and component insertion, and provides quality assurance to the high levels required by vendors of computers and communications equipment. We are less than 10 miles from Heathrow Airport, which ensures immediate shipment of urgent orders.

**Chess King has a full range of products.**

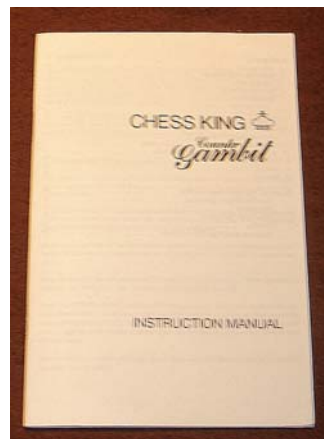
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## Philidor

A conveniently sized chess computer, big enough for every occasion yet completely portable. Incorporates the strong "Cyrus" chess playing program which won the European Microcomputer Championship.

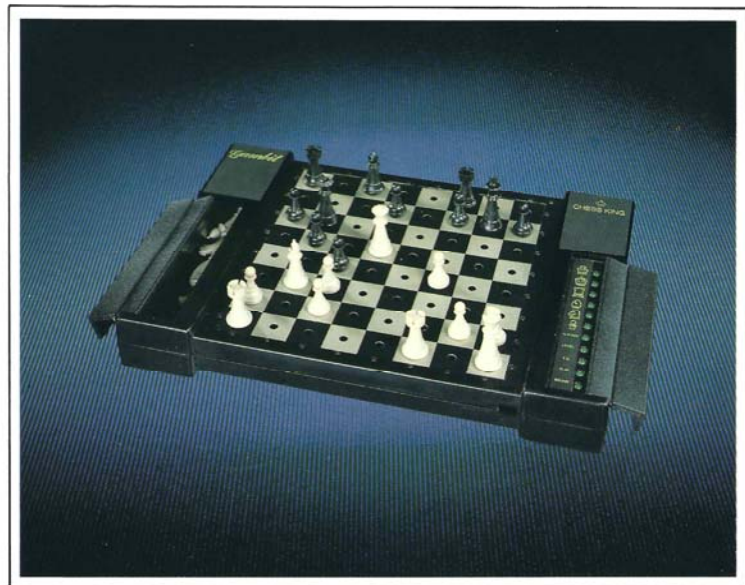
- Works from batteries or power adaptor.
- Uses magnetic pieces.
- Power-down feature allows easy resumption of unfinished games.
- Recognizes draws by repetition of position and the 50-move rule.
- 12 skill levels, including: 9 levels ranging from 1 second per move to 3.5 minutes per move, a "user adaptable" level which speeds up when the user plays quickly and slows down when the user plays more slowly, an "infinite" level which thinks until interrupted, and a problem solving level for finding mates in 2, 3 or 4 moves.
- Takeback feature allows the user to retract errors, up to as many as 40 moves ago.
- Play forward feature for stepping forward after using takeback.
- Hint feature advises the user what to play next.
- Easy to operate position setup and verify features.
- Plays more than 2,000 opening moves.
- 16K ROM
- 2K RAM
- Z80 microprocessor, 4 mhz



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- 4K ROM
- 256 bytes RAM
- 6301 microprocessor, 2 mhz



## Chess King Philidor and Counter Gambit

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**Chess King Counter Gambit, heeft een prachtig en uniek design, maar het schaakprogramma (van Mark Taylor?) komt helaas niet uitgebalanceerd over.**

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### **Programmierer / Programmer**

- Mark Taylor (!?)

### **Baujahr / Release**

- Erste Einführung: März (?) 1987 (!)

### **Technische Daten / Technical specifications**

- Mikroprozessor: 6301 (!)
- Taktfrequenz: 2 MHz (!)
- Programmspeicher: 4 KB ROM (!)
- Arbeitsspeicher: 256 byte RAM (!)

### **Spielstärke / Playing strength**

- Spielstärke: ca. 1300 Elo
- Bewertung: Am besten geeignet für Anfänger und Fortgeschrittene

### **Verwandt / Family**

- Chess King Triomphe

### **Internet**

[http://www.chesscomputeruk.com/html/chess\\_king\\_counter\\_gambit.html](http://www.chesscomputeruk.com/html/chess_king_counter_gambit.html)

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<http://www.schachcomputer.info/forum/f2/chess-king-2579.html>

(Schachcomputer.info - Forum: Frage über Chess King)

<http://www.schaakcomputers.nl/schaakcomputers/Chess%20King/chess1.php?item=3&merk=Chess%20King>

(Luuk Hofman: Chess King Counter Gambit)