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Cover art of Battle Chess ^[4]

Battle Chess,

a chess program, famous for its [animated move](#) and specially [capture](#) sequences in [3D mode](#), released for various [home](#) and [personal computer](#) platforms as well as [video game consoles](#), beside others for [Apple II](#), [Commodore 64](#), [Commodore Amiga](#), [Atari ST](#), [IBM PC](#), [Apple Macintosh](#), [Acorn Archimedes](#), [3DO](#) and [Nintendo Entertainment System](#). The game was developed by a team around [Brian Fargo](#) and [Michael Quarles](#), including [Jay Patel](#), [Bruce Schlickbernd](#), and [Todd Camasta](#) ^[4], released in 1988 by Fargo's company [Interplay](#) ^[2] soon after ending the relationship with [Electronic Arts](#) ^[3].

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1.Nf3 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 d5 4.cxd5 Nxd5 5.Qa4+ Nc6 6.Nxd5 Qxd5 7.e4 Qe6
8.Bb5 Bd7 9.O-O Bg7 10.d3 Qd6 11.Be3 Bxb2 12.Rab1 Bg7 13.d4 a6
14.e5 Qe6 15.d5 Qxd5 16.Rfd1 Qe6 17.Bc4 Nxe5 18.Bxe6 Nxf3+ 19.gxf3 Bxa
4
20.Bb3 Bc6 21.Bd5 Bxd5 22.Rxd5 e6 23.Rd2 b6 24.Rc2 Be5 25.f4 Bd6 26.Kg
2 O-O
27.Rc6 Rfd8 28.Kf3 Kf8 29.Ke2 Ke7 30.h3 Kf6 31.Rd1 Rab8 32.Kf3 Kf5
33.Rg1 h6 34.h4 Rd7 35.Rcc1 Be7 36.Rh1 h5 37.Rc6 Rb7 38.Rh2 Rd3 39.Rh1
Bd6
40.Rg1 Bxf4 0-1

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1.d4 Nf6 2.Bf4 d5 3.e3 Bf5 4.c4 Nc6 5.Nc3 e6 6.Nf3 Bb4 7.a3 Bxc3+
8.bxc3 O-O 9.Bg5 Qe7 10.Bd3 Bxd3 11.Qxd3 dxc4 12.Qxc4 h6 13.Bh4 Qd8
14.O-O Qd5 15.Qd3 Ne4 16.Rab1 Nd6 17.Nd2 Ne5 18.Qe2 Ng6 19.Bg3 Qc6
20.c4 Nf5 21.Rb4 Nxg3 22.hxg3 b6 23.Qh5 Rad8 24.Rc1 Rd6 25.Qb5 e5
26.Qxc6 Rxc6 27.d5 Rd6 28.e4 Re8 29.c5 Rd7 30.Ra4 Ra8 31.cxb6 cxb6
32.Rc6 Re8 33.Rac4 f6 34.a4 Ra8 35.Kf1 Kf7 36.Nf3 Ne7 37.Rc7 Ke8 38.Rc
2
Kd8 39.R7c3 Rc8 40.Rxc8+ Nxc8 41.Ke2 Nd6 42.Kd3 f5 43.Nxe5 fxe4+ 44.Kd
4
Rc7 45.Nc6+ Ke8 46.g4 Kd7 47.Re2 Kc8 48.Ke5 Kd7 49.Rc2 Rc8 50.Kd4 Rc7
51.Rc3 Ke8 52.Ke5 Kd7 53.Kd4 Ke8 54.Re3 Kf7 55.f3 exf3 56.gxf3 h5
57.Re6 Rxc6 58.dxc6 Kxe6 59.gxh5 Ne8 60.Kc4 Kd6 61.Kd4 Nf6 62.c7 Kxc7
63.Ke5 Nxh5 64.Kf5 Ng3+ 65.Kg6 Ne2 66.Kxg7 Nd4 67.f4 Ne6+ 68.Kf6 Nxf4
69.Ke5 Ne2 70.Kd5 Nc3+ 71.Kc4 Nxa4 72.Kb5 Nc5 73.Kb4 Kd6 74.Kb5 Kd5
75.Kb4 a6 76.Kc3 a5 77.Kb2 b5 78.Kc3 b4+ 79.Kb2 Kc4 80.Kc2 Nd3
81.Kd2 b3 82.Ke3 b2 83.Ke4 a4 84.Kf5 a3 85.Ke6 Nb4 1/2-1/2

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