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[\[4\]](#) Matador, showing traditional outfit

Matador,

a family of [private chess engines](#) by [Stefan Knappe](#). Matador played six [IPCCCs](#), and had its debut in [2000](#) where it upset [IsiChess](#) in the [Semi-Slav Botvinnik Variation](#), further the [BELCT 2001](#) as *Lokalmatador* [\[1\]](#), and the [CCT6](#) and [CCT7](#) online tournaments.

The first version, Matador **I**, developed in 1996, was written in [Visual Basic 5.0](#), had an own [GUI](#), used a [10x12 Board](#), performing [PVS](#) with [transposition table](#), [null move pruning](#), [quiescence search](#), and some kind of [check extensions](#) [\[2\]](#). Matador **II** in 1998 was written in [C](#) and compliant with the [Chess Engine Communication Protocol](#). In 2002, Matador **III** was a major rewrite using [bitboards](#) as board representation, and supported [UCI](#), while Matador **IV** started to play chess in 2004 [\[3\]](#).

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9.Nxg5 hxg5 10.Bxg5 Nbd7 11.Qf3 Bb7 12.exf6 Qb6 13.O-O-O c5 14.d5 b4
15.Na4 Qa5 16.Qe3 O-O-O 17.dxe6 fxe6 18.b3 cxb3 19.axb3 c4 20.Bxc4 Rh5
21.f4 Bxg2 22.Rhe1 Bd5 23.Bxd5 exd5 24.f7 Qa6 25.Bxd8 Kxd8 26.Qe8+ Kc7
27.Rd2 Rh6 28.f5 Qb5 29.Qa8 Rc6+ 30.Kb1 Qb8 31.Qxb8+ Nxb8 32.Re8 Nd7
33.Rxd5 Rf6 34.Ra5 Kb7 35.Rd5 Kc7 36.Ra8 Rxf7 37.Rxa7+ Kc6 38.Rd1 Ne5
39.Rxf7 Nxf7 40.Rd4 Bd6 41.h4 Nh6 42.f6 Be5 43.Rxb4 Nf7 44.Rb6+ Kd5
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