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Ample free parking

HOW TO CHOOSE: For each computer we give our estimated BCF (British Chess Federation) rating and equivalent International Elo rating, so you can compare with your own level using the following table:

ABILITY LEVEL	BCF Rating up to:	Elo Rating up to:	NOTE: All chess computers other than those for beginners can be set to play BELOW their maximum ratings. Therefore, with an eye to the future, it may be worth purchasing a model above your current standard, in readiness for dramatic improvement!!
Beginner/nowice	60	1080	
Hobby player	90	1320	
Strong hobby player	120	1560	
Regular club player	150	1800	
Strong club/county player	180	2040	
Master	210	2280	
International master	240	2520	

Also, size matters! So – whether you're wanting a neat little PORTABLE, a robust TABLE-TOP model, or a beautiful auto-sensory WOOD BOARD, you're always welcome to ring Eric or Mike for impartial advice (we stock virtually everything) on 01353 740323. Furthermore, why not keep up-to-date by subscribing to the Chess Computer magazine SELECTIVE SEARCH, now in its 15th year – product code SS1...



SS1. CHESS COMPUTER MAGAZINE – "SELECTIVE SEARCH"

Annual sub – 6 issues £20.00 (Overseas £25.00). Keep abreast of all the latest happenings and developments in the chess computer and chess software world. Editor Eric Halford has built up a reputation internationally for unbiased sensible reports, so his Ratings of the different computers and programs carry weight all over the computer chess world. Visit the Selective Search web pages at www.eftchess.demon.co.uk - see below and on the following pages for the top recommended value for money models...

CH1. AURORA [with voice] £34.95 – our price includes the excellent 100 page "School of Chess" book, containing a wealth of information to help you learn more about the great game and improve your skills. Estimated rating 60 BCF/1080 Elo. Ideal for beginners, the Aurora is your personal, portable 64 level chess opponent, with plug-in press-sensory board. Dimensions: 176 x 136mm. Requires 3 x AA batteries.



Aurora



Capella

CH2. CAPELLA £99.95 (optional adaptor £9)

Estimated rating 160 BCF/1890 Elo. Classic press-sensory chess computer in a luxurious and elegant wood-finished veneer with hand-crafted wood pieces. 64 levels of play, including tournament, blitz, fixed ply depth, and mate solve. Take back up to 15 moves each side if you want to experiment and learn from any mistakes. Dimensions: 311 x 311mm. Mains or 4 x AA batteries.

CH3. CHESS ACADEMY £149.95 (with voice) (optional adaptor £9) – see picture on Front Cover

Estimated rating 160 BCF/1890 Elo. The world's first standalone talking chess computer with 100 interactive voice commentary lessons! LED on every square, plus soft-touch system for easy piece sensing and comfort of use. Also info rich display for clock times, analysis, evaluations and hints. 100 different playing levels, suitable for novices and enthusiasts right up to good club standard. 6,000 position Openings book. 30 move take back. Can solve mate up to 8. Memory retention. 10 "Teach Topics", each with no less than 10 individual voice prompted lessons. Terrific value! Dimensions: 410 x 270mm. Mains or 6 x C type batteries.



CH4. SAITEK BARRACUDA £79.95 (optional adaptor £9)
Housed in a stylish cabinet with Saitek's new "soft touch system" for easy sensing of pieces and comfort of use, the Barracuda has 64 levels of skill including blitz, tournament and handicap. 30 ply takeback lets you experiment and learn from your mistakes. Info rich LCD gives you access to move variations and evaluations, search depth, and chess clocks with countdown facility if required. Dimensions 308 x 230mm. Mains or 4 x AA batteries.

The INTERNATIONAL BEST SELLERS – Cosmos, Cougar and President, all housing Franz Morsch's potent 180 BCF/2040 Elo program, designed to give club or even county strength players a huge challenge. Numerous features include:

- High speed RISC style processor.
- Extended playing levels for blitz and tournament play, casual games and problem solving.
- Large, clear display can be set to show exactly what you prefer – e.g. principal variations, clock times, position evaluation, search depth, nodes per second.
- Choice of opening book styles and search method – selective or brute force.
- Memory retention when switched off.
- Other features and functions can be set to give the greatest help in improving your game.

CH5. COSMOS £99.95

A brilliantly designed portable with large, easy-to-see peg type pieces. Our recommendation as the world's No. 1 top value hand-held computer. Dimensions: 230 x 180mm. Requires 4 x AA batteries.

CH6. COUGAR £129.95

 (optional adaptor £9)

The Cougar is aptly named, with sleek looks contrasting with its ferocious strength. Dimensions: 415 x 280mm. Mains or 6 x C type batteries.

CH7. PRESIDENT £299.95

 (optional adaptor £9)

The President speaks for itself – handsome, powerful, excellent features – all at a remarkably low price. Dimensions: 370 x 370mm. Mains or 6 x C type batteries.

CH8. BULLET (with voice) £49.95

Housing same as the portable Cosmos, pictured top right (except speaker unit instead of display).

CH9. BLADE (with voice) £59.95

 (optional adaptor £9)

Housing similar to Barracuda, pictured top left (except speaker unit instead of display).

The Bullet & Blade have identical programs and features. Estimated rating 100 BCF/1400 Elo. Ideal coaching for beginners and hobby players, with eight special levels to guide you and warn you when the computer is threatening a capture. Piece verification and position evaluation facility. Take back lets you experiment – or change your mind after a less than perfect move! Long term game memory retention.

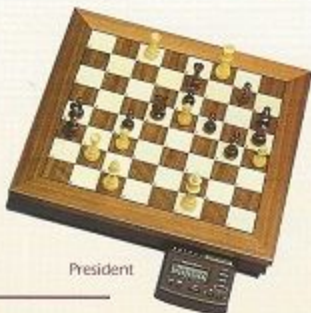
Dimensions (Bullet): 230 x 180mm. Requires 4 x AA batteries.
Dimensions (Blade): 315 x 239mm. Mains or 4 x AA batteries.



Cosmos



Cougar



President

**CH10. TIGER Mk2 with CHESS SET £89.95**

(optional adaptor £9)

Estimated rating 170 BCF/1960 Elo. Countrywide's conversion from the original Fidelity Travelmaster avoids the need to press the small chess board squares. Enter moves simply by making just two key presses on the built-in module at the top of the unit. The numerous features and functions are identical to the Cosmos & Cougar (page 3). The Tiger comes with flat disc pieces, although most owners prefer to make their moves on the large board with its attractive wood, felted chessmen. Dimensions: Tiger (closed, inc. keypad module) 240 x 92mm. Mains or 4 x AAA batteries. Chess set (drawer closed) 415 x 415mm, king height 73mm.

Treat yourself to one of Mephisto's magnificent Exclusives. These handsome, wood, auto-sensory boards, into which the program of your choice is inserted, can accept all Mephisto's world championship winners over the last 10 years! Overall dimensions 400 x 400mm, king height 70mm. Mains powered. **Latest programs: MM6, Senator and Magellan...**

CH11. EXCLUSIVE+MM6 £449.95

(adaptor £9)

Estimated rating 182 BCF/2056 Elo. The MM6 module set contains the powerful Morsch program which scored a hugely impressive 2330 rating in special computer v human tests in the United States. With multiple levels, a 35,000 move Openings library, large LCD screen for showing clock times, hints, analysis and evaluations, the Exclusive MM6 is packed with features, yet very user friendly.

CH12. EXCLUSIVE+SENATOR £649.95

(adaptor £9)

Estimated rating 195 BCF/2160 Elo. All the features of the MM6 with even more power and strength. The Senator poses a formidable challenge to most players on Planet Earth!

CH13. EXCLUSIVE+MAGELLAN £749.95 (adaptor £9)

Estimated rating 205 BCF/2240 Elo. Senator features plus even

stronger program with **hash tables** and 50,000 Openings book -- a must for any player wanting only the BEST.

CH14. "LONDON" UPGRADE £159.00

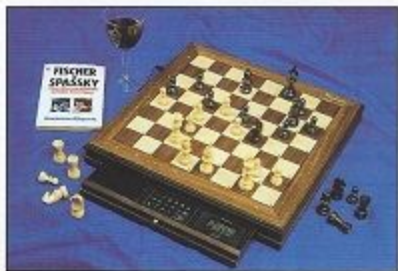
With additional strength/features/book openings, this is a terrific upgrade for all existing owners of Berlins or Berlin Professionals, or Mephisto boards containing any version of Almena, Portorose, Lyon, Vancouver or Genius. Call us on 01353 740323 for details.

CH15. MEPHISTO ATLANTA £379.95 (adaptor £9)

Estimated rating 205 BCF/2240 Elo. The very strongest press-sensory available. The Atlanta is a version of the program which beat Deep Blue along the way to winning the World Computer Chess Championships! Boasting an attractive 64 LED black and grey board with Staunton pieces, 32 bit RISC processor with 512K hash tables, endgame database, multi level settings, display for clocks, hints, evaluations and much, much more, the fabulous Atlanta is one of the all-time greats. Not suitable for beginners. Dimensions 340 x 260mm. Mains recommended, or 6 x AA batteries for occasional use.

CH16. MEPHISTO MILANO PRO £249.95 (adaptor £9)

Estimated rating 195 BCF/2160 Elo. Appearance and specifications as for Atlanta without hash tables, except that board LEDs are shown by way of co-ordinates. Terrific value for strong players wanting a very tough challenge from a dynamic and resourceful opponent. Dimensions 340 x 260mm. Mains recommended, or 6 x AA batteries for occasional use.



Mephisto Exclusive (with program of your choice)



Mephisto Atlanta

NOVAG ... for strength **NOVAG** ... for features **NOVAG** ... for style

This year we are delighted to send you Novag's latest catalogue showing full descriptions, ratings and specifications of their superb products. Prices as follows (plus E9 for optional adaptor if required):

CH17. JASPER (SPECIAL)	£32.95	CH23. AMBER	£139.95
CH18. AMETHYST PLUS	£34.95	CH24. TURQUOISE	£149.95
CH19. TOURMALINE PLUS	£39.95	CH25. EMERALD CLASSIC PLUS	£179.95
CH20. OPAL PLUS	£49.95	CH26. SAPPHIRE 2	£224.95
CH21. AQUAMARINE PREMIER PLUS	£54.95	CH27. DIAMOND 2	£279.95
CH22. AGATE PLUS	£69.95	CH28. UNIVERSAL BOARD (Incl. adpdr)	£279.95
CH29. SAPPHIRE 2 de luxe: UNIVERSAL BOARD with SAPPHIRE 2 (including adaptor)			£449.95

CH30. FRITZ DGT PIECE-RECOGNITION BOARD £274.95

Play on a Tournament size chess board against your PC loaded with Fritz 6, Hiercs 732 or Junior 6. The package includes the DGT board, mains adaptor and PC serial port connection cable. The board is unique in that it uses no LEDs - moves are announced vocally by the playing program through your PC speakers, whilst analysis can be obtained in the usual way from the PC screen whenever required. Smooth, sophisticated and beautiful! Dimensions: 480 x 480mm; king height 95mm.



PS1. PSION 5MX PALMTOP £429.95 (optional adaptor E18)

Effectively a handheld mini computer, ideal for CHESS and many other games, all of HIGH strength and quality. The 5MX is a 32-bit multitasking palmtop with edge-to-edge touch panel. Full suite of PC communication and integration tools. Built-in voice memo recorder. On-board applications include Word Processor and Spreadsheet plus Database, Calculator, Calendar and Alarm Clock. Dimensions: 170 x 90mm (closed). Mains or 2 x AA batteries.



PS2. CHESS program £49.95

Other TOP programs available:

PS3. BRIDGE £49.95

PS4. SCRABBLE £39.95 (compatible with £199 5MX Palmtop)

PS5. BACKGAMMON & CHINESE CHESS (combined) £49.95

PS6. FIVE IN ONE PACK (includes Draughts & Othello) £39.95

CH31. SAITEK DIGITAL CHESS CLOCK (Mk 2) £49.95

A superbly made, ultra reliable clock, selling to individuals and chess clubs alike. It is clear and accurate, and suitable also for many other games where precise timing is essential. Has ALL the features you could require, including Tournament, Blitz, Bonus, Bronstein and Hourglass time control systems and combinations. You can even create your own! Large, highly visible 17mm twin digital clocks. Memory retention function saves all settings at switch off. Optional sound. Easy to use, with well laid-out keys. Exceptionally good value. Dimensions: width 190mm, height 70mm. Requires 2 x C type batteries - approx. 600 hours life!



CH32. MAINS ADAPTOR P5006 (Saitek/Kasparov) or N5006 (Novag) £9.00

Suitable for ALL our computers (except for DGT board and Psion Palmtop) where mains power is required or optional. High quality, smoothed, reliable. We'll supply the version suitable for the computer you choose. Just plug in and play.

BR1. PRO BRIDGE 310 £99.95

The world's strongest hand-held Bridge computer. At home or on the move – it's the perfect personal Bridge opponent. Plays ACOL and standard 5-card majors. Computer shuffles and deals automatically. Display shows your cards and all the bidding, then shows dummy's hand at the appropriate time, plus all tricks as they are made, and cumulative score. Can also offer hints! Dimensions: 195 x 108mm. Requires 4 x AAA batteries.

**BR2. PRO BRIDGE 510 £249.95**

(optional adaptor £9)

An attractive and elegantly designed computer with the best program – ten levels of skill to challenge even the club player. Knows all the major systems – ACOL, Standard American 4 and 5-card majors, French 5-card majors and Precision Club. Select your own preferred bidding conventions. Plays Rubber and Duplicate bridge. Choose the deal method – i.e. random shuffle, one from 10 million pre-programmed hands, or key in any deal yourself. Perfect for practice, study and serious play. Dimensions (closed) 225 x 225mm, height (open) 180mm. Mains adaptor or 6 x AA batteries.

BR3. LINKING the 310 and 510 – purchase them together for ONLY £329.90 (optional adaptor £9) – SAVING £20

The '510' comes equipped with a 1 metre cable, which can LINK it to the '310' enabling two people to play as partners (or opponents), enjoying the strength and features of the 510 whilst each having their own LCD screen!

BR4. PRO BRIDGE PROFESSOR £79.95 (similar unit to Pro Bridge 310 pictured above)

The perfect tutor for less experienced players wanting to learn and improve. ACOL based bidding. Clear LCD screen teaches all aspects of the game. Includes large, illustrated and integrated Bridge Manual. 600 carefully chosen training hands help you study the intricacies of bidding and play at 3 levels of difficulty. Display shows all hands, plus sequence of bids, play and trick count. Dimensions 195 x 100mm. Requires 4 x AAA batteries.

BA1. SAITEK CHAMPION BACKGAMMON £89.95

A handsome tabletop backgammon set, with a challenging program. 30 combinations of strength and aggression. Can give you coaching hints and LCD evaluation of score. Plus doubling, take-back, and many other facilities. Four Backgammon variations also included: Jacquet, Tic Tac, Moulteam and Rakoto. Dimensions: 355 x 266mm. Requires 4 x AA batteries (100 hours playing time).

**KL1. MEPHISTO KLACKS: Set of three £24.95**

Featured on British and European TV channels as amongst the world's top hand-held REACTION GAMES, the Klacks give terrific fun to the young and not-so-young alike. Comprising three separate games – Tele, Hit and Knobel (pictured), you and your family will soon be hooked! Incorporating chronograph time recorders & alarm clock facilities. Approx. dimensions (sides or diameters) 100mm. Long life batteries included.

1. Knobel Klack (see illustration). Your numbers up – but not for long! Pressing the correct corresponding buttons will keep your score mounting, but it's not easy. It's a competitive business trying to beat your own record, let alone the world record!
2. Hit Klack. Two cleverly designed games: "Look out – here they come" and "Ten Squares". Determination and dexterity essential.
3. Tele Klack. The "numbers elimination" game that demands excellent judgement and perfect timing. Six levels of difficulty.

**PO1. SAITEK PRO DRAW POKER £29.95**

Large LCD with poker table design. Play against 3 real-life styles: statistical, conservative or aggressive! Bet, raise, call, fold and even bluff your way to the pot. Hints on strategy – improve your game and play to win. Dimensions: 150 x 83mm. Requires 1 x lithium CR2032 battery (included).

**BL1. POCKET BLACKJACK (PONTOON) £14.95**

Las Vegas style with single deck of 52 cards. Automatic re-shuffling when approaching end of deck. Clear display with automatic score keeping. Added features include insurance, double down, sound on/off. Dimensions: 104 x 88mm. Requires 2 x AAA batteries.



CHESS PLAYING PROGRAMS Note: All of our chess programs can play to a minimum of 237 BCF/2500 Elo at 40 moves in 2 hours on a Pentium Pro 233MHz...



- SW1. FRITZ 6 £39.95**
SW2. HIARCS 732 £39.95
SW3. JUNIOR 6 £39.95
SW4. NIMZO 732 £39.95

SW 1-4: These 4 latest 32-bit CHESSBASE ENGINES for Windows95/98 include: massive 300,000+ Games Database, superb large Opening Books optimised for each program, multimedia features and voice options, great graphics, 3D boards, game and diagram printing facilities, remarkable analytical features and much, much more. If you buy two or more you can play matches between them on one computer!

SW5. HIARCS 7 for MS-DOS, Windows3.x/95/98 & Apple MAC **£49.95**

Mark Unkader's DOS version is popular because of its massive strength and the facility for users to adjust and update the 485,000 position opening book. The MAC version (on same CD) is easily the strongest for MAC owners.

SW6. REBEL CENTURY for MS-DOS and Windows3.x/95/98 **£36.95**

Ed Schroder's new version is stronger than ever. Includes huge Games Database and Encyclopaedia of Chess Openings. Type in an Elo rating and it will play to that strength (find out how good you are & assess your progress). Can even play 4 games at once and has many unique features for game analysis, adjusting the playing style and much more.

SW7. SHREDDER 4 for Windows95/98 **£79.95**

The MILLENNIUM World Champion Package comes with an amazing 6 CDs which include the immensely strong new World Champion SHREDDER 4, Richard Lang's GENIUS 6.5, NIMZO 2000 and Ken Thompson's famous endgame databases. All programs work independently, or with Genius for engine v engine matches.

MULTI-FEATURED GAMES DATABASE SW8. CHESSBASE 7.0 for Windows **£114.95**

Brilliant state-of-the-art multi-media product with video, soundtrack, and large encyclopaedia of photos and profiles of leading players. New 32-bit high speed program, with position trees and statistics to delight all serious students of the game. Includes Crazy chess engine for analytical work, plus BIGBASE '99 (over a million games)! Purchase Fritz, Hiarc or Junior (see above) to optimise analytical quality!



CHESS TUTORIALS: CHESS MENTOR for Windows...

This popular PC chess course can improve anyone's chess understanding and strength. The PC environment helps you move through each lesson with the greatest of ease. Integrated hints sections are always available to offer different levels of genuine advice according your needs...

SW9. ADVANCED COURSE £59.95. Technique and strategy for the stronger player.

SW10. COMPREHENSIVE COURSE £59.95. Ideal for novices and hobby players. Learn to play the right way!

SW11. CHESS MENTOR de LUXE £224.95. The full de Luxe version includes all Lessons from the Comprehensive and Advanced Courses, plus much more on Openings, Strategy, Tactics, Endgames etc.

BRIDGE SOFTWARE for PC (see also item P53 on page 5)

SW12. Q PLUS 5.5 BRIDGE (requires 486 or better, 8MB RAM and Win3.x, 95/98 or NT) **£69.95**

A strong and highly intelligent program; set for basic A/COL but with multiple alternative bidding systems and conventions available. Tested by bridge experts and suitable for players of all standards due to its variable strength parameters. Excellent on-screen Help displays give clear advice and guidance when requested. Special facilities for bridge partnerships, and with Rubber, Team and Pair scoring. Q Plus will prepare you for all the systems and methods you are ever likely to encounter in the world of bridge.



BACKGAMMON SOFTWARE for PC (see also item P55 on page 5)

Set at its highest level JELLYFISH BACKGAMMON can compete with the world's best human players! Use the Tutor's remarkable features to help you improve, or simply play against the program for fun! System requirements: PC with Windows95/98/NT, 486 processor with 8MB RAM.

SW13. JELLYFISH PLAYER 3.5 £39.95. Ideal for anyone who wants a terrific game of backgammon and a real challenge. It's very strong with an exceptionally good understanding and evaluation of deep backgames, outflanked primes, and long races.

SW14. JELLYFISH TUTOR 3.5 £89.95. The version for all backgammon aficionados who really wish to study the game. Incorporating the 'Player' program, the Tutor can also evaluate all positions, comment on moves and decisions, give percentage probability of victory during the game, and much much more.



DRAUGHTS and OTHELLO SOFTWARE for PC (see also item P56 on page 5)

SW15. SAGE 5000 DRAUGHTS for Windows **£39.95**

Easily the strongest Draughts program we have seen. Genuine Championship standard with many features which include facility to add your own notes and comments, true-type fonts for board and game printing, endgame database, and analysis of complete games move-by-move. In the same package are 10 x 10 and other Draughts versions, plus Flip It (OTHELLO). Unbeatable value!



