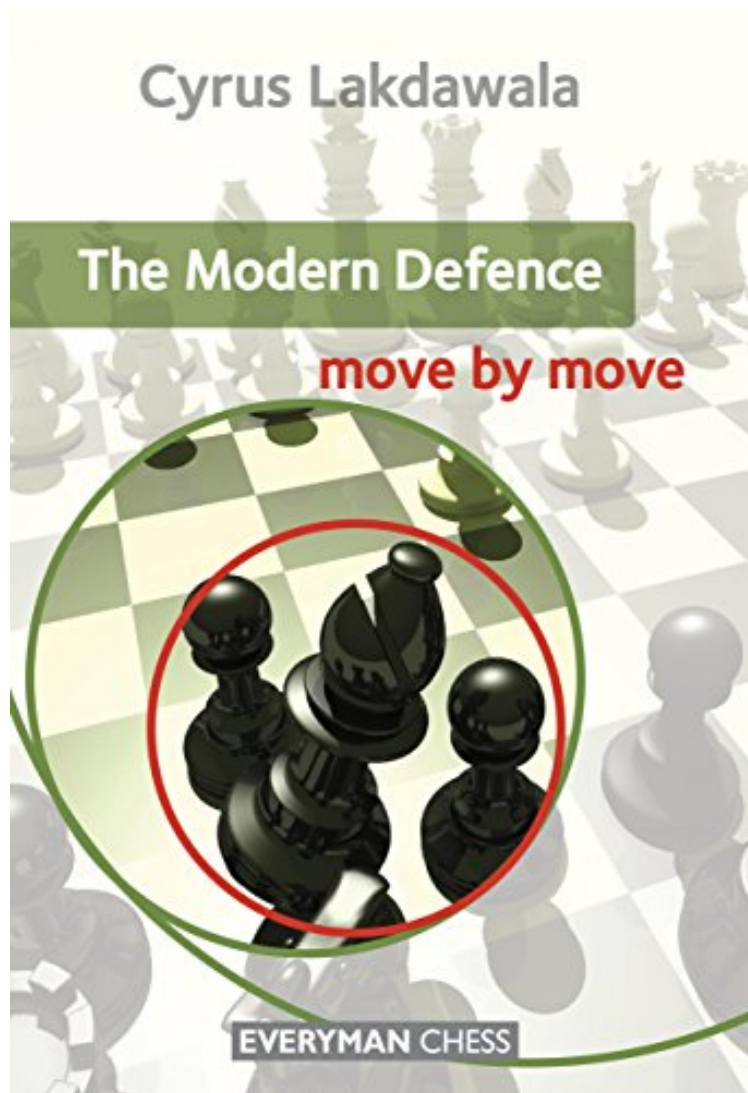


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Cyrus Lakdawala : Modern Defence: Move by Move (Everyman Chess) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Modern Defence: Move by Move (Everyman Chess):

8 of 8 people found the following review helpful. a good book on this defensive systemBy audieThis book is a good one for learning this defensive system. The author presents the information with a generous amount of humor to keep the student's interest, while also presenting a good amount of information so that the player can use the system with confidence.The Modern Defense is not one that is for every player's taste, which is fine, as one of the reasons chess is

such a grand game is because players of many and various styles can play it well. But if one simply doesn't have the time or inclination to get a handle on something like the Sicilian, the Modern's is a good option. There's a lot in this book, and I haven't yet learned all there is to learn from it. But I already understand the Modern a lot better than I did beforehand. I would like to make one layout suggestion for e-book versions, which is what I have. With comments, some of the games and chapters are very long, and with an e-book reader I found that getting to a game in the middle of a long chapter can be tiresome. Since most chapters open with a description of the variations each game will examine, I'd like to suggest that when a game is mentioned in the intro, that it would provide a link to the game. So that if, for example, the chapter introduction says something like "In Game 13, we will look at the Snoopy version of the Garfield variation", perhaps "Game 13" would be a link to the beginning of Game 13. It seems like that would be very helpful.

23 of 23 people found the following review helpful. A must have if you play the Modern

By Yuri Wijting
This step-by-step guide elaborates on the modern and uses Tiger Hillarp Persson's approach. I have reviewed Tiger's Modern and often wished that he had given a little more of a step by step of the ideas. Cyrus Lakdawala covers how to use the Modern well and in an entertaining fashion. The bonus is that he addresses lines such as the Colle and London which aren't in Tiger's Modern. All in all this book is an excellent complimentary to Tiger's Modern, and those wanting to master the Modern would do well to have this book. The only thing that stopped me from giving it 5 stars is that I'd have like it to have gone a little more into detail with anti-queen pawn games and those games where White does not follow as he should. Highly recommended!

13 of 13 people found the following review helpful. Unorthodox thinking, sound analysis, and humor

By JLSI
I like the author's position regarding chess: Do not fall into traditional thinking and analysis, but instead play creative chess. He gives a nice 'step-by-step' analysis of chosen games which deal with different openings you will see from the white side. I like the fact that he does not give those long analysis footnotes, but gets to the main point-both from a strategy point of view as well as tactical. His sense of humor is also a plus. He talks about the drunken king heading down the highway as a king is being driven to the center of the board. He mentions a particular "devious" move which, he says, even Richard Nixon in his worst moment could not have created. You get the point. The Modern Defense is not for everybody. You have to have a willingness to play a bit constricted and to push g and h pawns in front of your castled king. His premise for black is to never give white any targets. His presentation of the Modern demonstrates how fluid and intuitive the defense can be. At one point he remarks about a position that the Modern Defense is so complex that at times this makes it easy because you rely only on your instinct and intuition. I liked that. Practically speaking, I have used this book's ideas primarily at club level and on an internet chess site and have had good results with it. I recommend the book for it's simplicity, readability, and unorthodox-yet sound, approach which is often contrary to general chess theory.

Cyrus Lakdawala examines the many different variations of the Modern Defence, studies the typical plans and tactics, offers repertoire options and provides answers to all the key questions

Lakdawala writes in a charming and highly instructive manner
Award-winning author Jeremy Silman
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