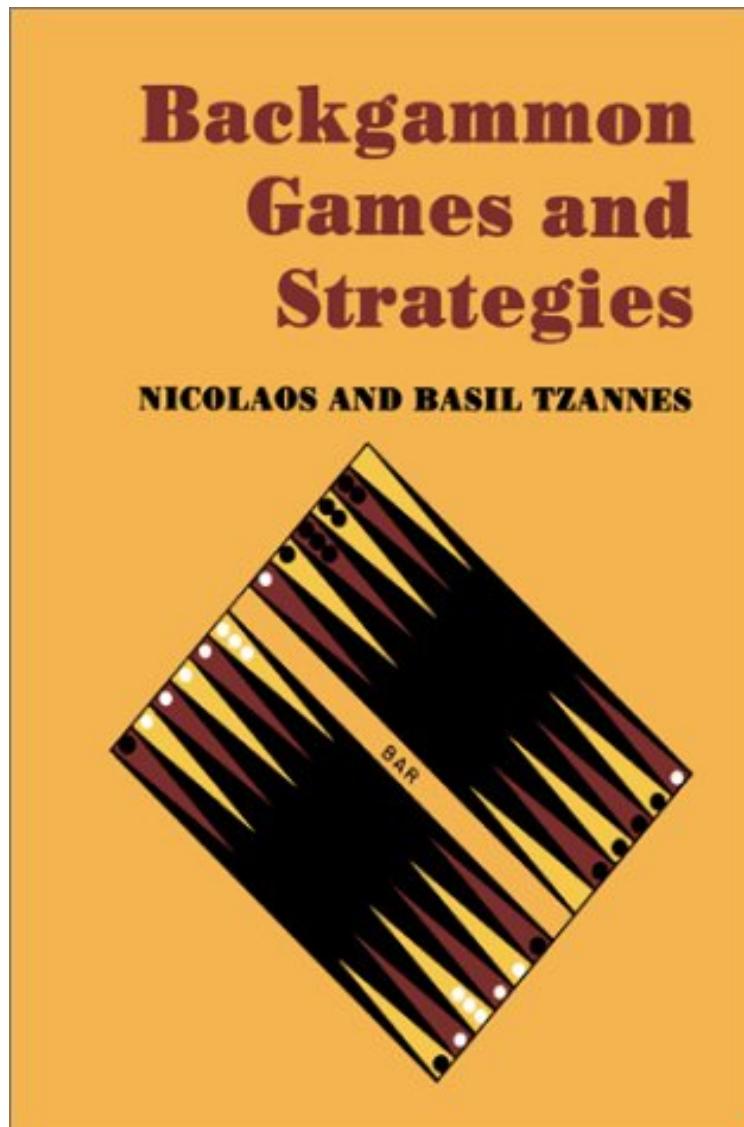


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2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Luck does come in StreaksBy Phil ThomsenThough a chronic gambler, I am a newcomer to backgammon games. I found this book intructive and pleasant to read. Unlike another reviewer here, I thought the advice was sound, even the one warning of "streaks of bad luck". Anyone playing games of chance is painfully aware of that.I especially enjoyed the section on Probability Theory and how it bears on the games.6 of 6 people found the following review helpful. More Games on the same old Backgammon board!!By Luca

LodiThis book is not actually a Backgammon book, at least not the way we intend Backgammon in Europe or in the US. The two brothers have decided to write about the various games played on the BG board which of course includes a section on the so called portes (doors) or backgammon in our understanding but is more specific on other games strategies. I found it extremely interesting!!6 of 6 people found the following review helpful. New exciting games on the Backgammon BoardBy Helen IlliakI bought this on an impulse and found it rewarding. The two games (Plakoto, Moultezim) that the authors describe are indeed more complicated and challenging than regular backgammon, just like they promised.The book covers also regular backgammon as played in the US, adequately, but not as thoroughly as other books. But if you want a change of pace, this is it!

Backgammon is experiencing a revival, rapidly becoming one of the most popular table games in the worldInternet included. But it's not just a game; it is an obsession. In some countries of southern Europe and the Middle East, it is a way of life. A typical game of backgammon lasts 6-8 minutes if it is it?or Gioul, and double that if it is Plakoto or Moultezim. These are the fastest, most absorbing minutes in a player lifetime. The game moves in lightning speed and requires total concentration. The mixture of chance and skill are perfectly balanced in itthe other games leaning heavier on skill. There is hardly a moment of boredom when you play Backgammon. Even when the game seems hopelessly lost, there is still a finite probability of a turnaround. The suspense is always there, the tension is never ending. What more would you want for an evening of relaxation?This book is written to fill a voidthe almost total absence of information on backgammon games, other than basic itusually called backgammon in the West. The authors find it incredible that Gioul, Plakoto and Moultezim still remain a well-kept secret among backgammon connoisseurs. Gioul is the most fun-filled game played on the boardvery dice throw a surprise. Plakoto is without doubt the king of Backgammon games. Moultezim is a serious game for the purist, the consummate space strategist. Players who are unaware of these games are not really fulfilled. This book, illustrated with more than 300 diagrams, illustrations and exercises, aims to change all that, and turn all casual players into full-fledged backgammon experts.Dr. N. S. Tzannes, a Professor of Electrical Engineering, has authored several books and many scientific papers in his field of Communications. Dr. B. Tzannes, Professor of Mathematics at the University of Patras, Greece, has authored many scientific papers in his field of Topolog

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