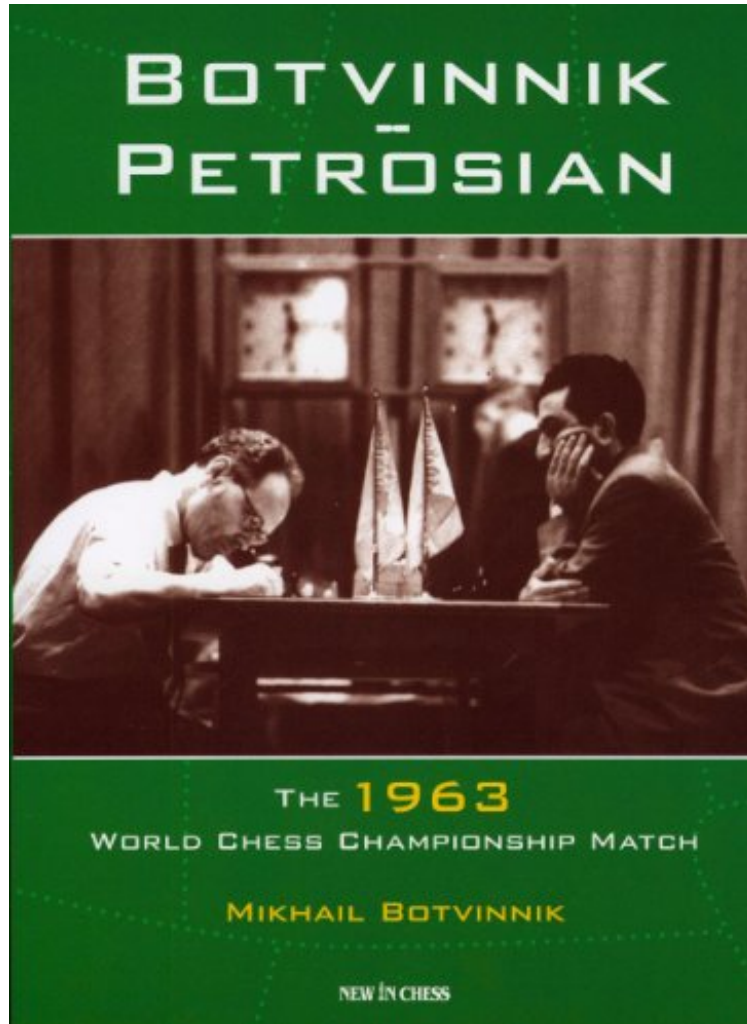


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0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Five StarsBy Robert D.Great game collection!24 of 24 people found the following review helpful. Multiple Annotators Make this Collection EnjoyableBy RTFI am a 2300 rated player and purchased this book on Botvinnik's final World Championship (WC) clash after realizing that I was less familiar with the games of this match than any other WC match. I cannot overstate the historical significance of this short collection.A major strength of this collection is the variety of annotators. Games are naturally annotated not only by

Botvinnik and Petrosian, but also by legendary players like Kasparov, Kortchnoi, and other strong GM's like Vladimir Akopian. While the games of this match were overwhelmingly positional struggles, it is quite interesting to see how these champions describe similar positions that arose in the match. The final section of the book really makes it stellar. There is a section where Petrosian discusses his views on Botvinnik's previous WC matches. We are also treated to a selection of previous Botvinnik-Petrosian games as well as eight training games Botvinnik played before the match. The book concludes with snippets from Botvinnik's famous 'secret notebook'. Though only around 140 pages, the book contains many interesting highlights and is a must have for a chess collector. 10 of 12 people found the following review helpful. I would prefer more comments by Botvinnik or Petrosian. By Claudio Rivera I like the book completely, but only half of the games are commented by Botvinnik or Petrosian. Both masters offer insights of the playing circumstances that no one could note. Both, express moves decisions that defines the outcome of the game with verbal comments, short variations, based on their inner conception of the game, their personal theory of chess. That's what I like in the old masters comments. They don't pretend that you know, or is totally clear, why this move wins strategically, but explain them with pure chess principles. Also they made clear that in analysis, it's not the longest variable which contains the truth. They don't pretend to "solve the chess" in a comment with 20 moves of variations, seeking what it's call the "truth". If the position is equal, any equivalent course will result in an equal situation and 10 concrete moves will not change that. And only if you can trace the route to win or to obtain great advantage, you can claim that it's a winning position. Any other circumstance will derive in a draw. I recommend the book. This match end the Bovinnik era. A great era in history of chess.

World Chess Champion Mikhail Botvinnik writes the story of the 1963 match in which he lost his title to fellow Russian Tigran Petrosian. Botvinnik, one of the greatest chess players of all time, analyses the games, reveals his match strategy and comments on the strategic choices of his opponent. Botvinnik's revealing essay: 'Why I lost the match' is counterbalanced by Petrosian's analysis of his win, which is also included in this important historical document. A fascinating and highly instructive report.