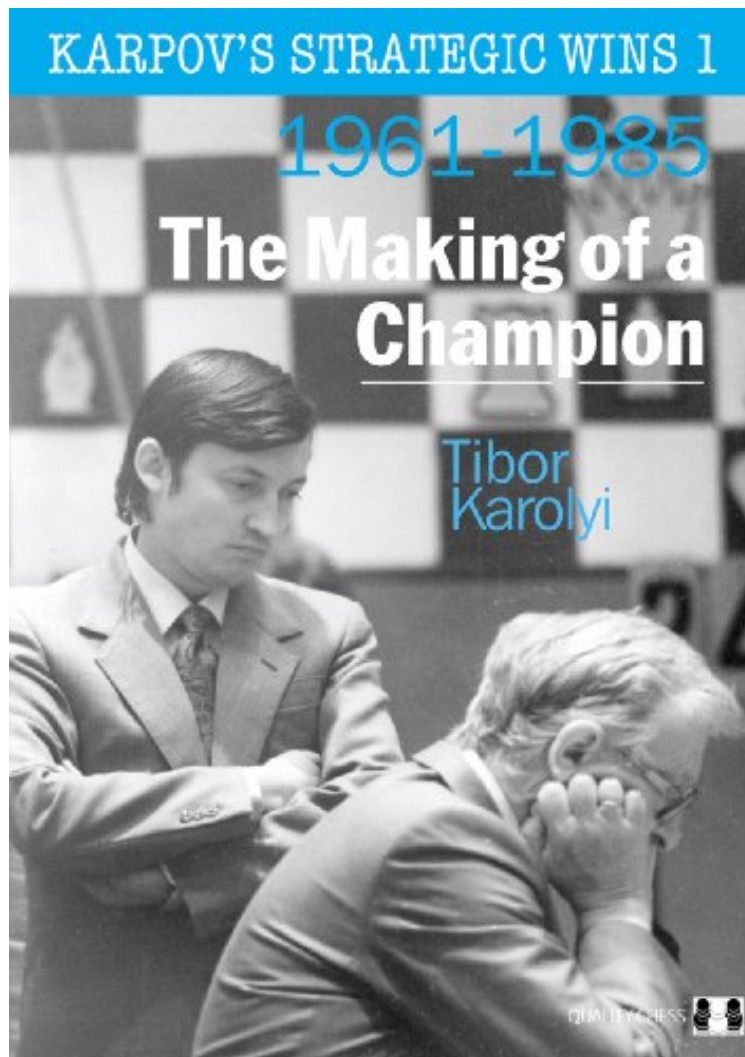


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**Tibor Karolyi : Karpov's Strategic Wins: The Making Of A Champion 1961-1985 (Volume 1)** before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Karpov's Strategic Wins: The Making Of A Champion 1961-1985 (Volume 1):

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Anatoly Karpov is one of the chess worlds greatest World Champions, with his prime strength being his subtle maneuvering and positional play. Many of his opponents have been baffled by the profundity of his strategies, but here Karolyi explains Karpov's genius.This volume features Karpov's most entertaining and instructive strategic wins from 1961-1985 as the Russian star proved he was a worthy successor to Bobby Fischer's title. The book starts with Karpov as a precocious youngster and tells the story of the making of a champion.

It was a colossal undertaking and Karolyi spent several years studying his protagonist. He delivers a fascinating account of Karpov's skills.GM Lubomir Kavalek, Huffington PostKarpov's Strategic Wins Volume 1 is not only a tribute to Karpov's strategic brilliance, it is also a fine instructive work... Many of the notes that Karolyi offers will be of great benefit to amateur players as well as professionals... Wonderful prose like this makes the book special... Karpov's Strategic Wins Volume 1 belongs in every chess player's library. Highly Recommended.IM John Donaldson, [jeremysilman.com](http://jeremysilman.com)