

MONTILLA-MORILES



A Spanish city in Andalusia, which hosted a series of international chess tournaments from 1971 until 1978. Montilla is the largest component of the [Montilla-Moriles](#) designated wine region, producing mainly sweet dessert wines.

The tournament winners:

1971 **Jan Timman**

http://www.ajedrecito5.galeon.com/ibero/ti_vino-mm1971.html

1972 **Hans-Joachim Hecht**

http://www.ajedrecito5.galeon.com/ibero/ti_vino-mm1972.html

1973 **Lubomir Kavalek** and **Helmut Pfleger**

http://www.ajedrecito5.galeon.com/ibero/ti_vino-mm1973.html

1974 **Ivan Radulov** (*clear first as lowest Elo rated contestant ahead of a pretty strong field including joint seconds Lubomir Kavalek and Helmut Pfleger, as well as Miguel Quinteros, Florin Gheorghiu, Zoltan Ribli, Bruno Parma, Ulf Andersson, Raymond Keene, and Jesus Diaz del Corral, single round robin of ten titled players*)

http://www.ajedrecito5.galeon.com/ibero/ti_vino-mm1974.html

1975 **Lev Polugaevsky** and **Ivan Radulov** (**second win**)

http://www.ajedrecito5.galeon.com/ibero/ti_vino-mm1975.html

1976 **Anatoly Karpov**, reigning World Champion comfortably eclipses Lubomir Kavalek, Ricardo Calvo, and Michael Stean (all 5½/9)

http://www.ajedrecito5.galeon.com/ibero/ti_vino-mm1976.html

1977 **Svetozar Gligoric**

http://www.ajedrecito5.galeon.com/ibero/ti_vino-mm1977.html

1978 **Boris Spassky**, former World Champion

http://www.ajedrecito5.galeon.com/ibero/ti_vino-mm1978.html

Prominent players not winning:

Miles, Taimanov, R. Byrne, Hort, Szabo, Ribli, Csom, Forintos, Andersson, Westerinen, O'Kelly de Galway, Prins, Stean, Keene, Kurajica, Parma, Gheorghiu, Cioaltea, Quinteros, Rossolimo, Robatsch, Medina, Toran, Calvo, Rivas, del Corral, and Pomar, of course.

Not participating:

Botvinnik, Smyslov, Tal, Petrosian, Fischer, Kasparov, Keres, Korchnoi, Larsen, Portisch, amongst others



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Record winner is **Ivan Radulov**, GM (1972), who won twice sole or shared. Civil Engineer.

As a chess player, **Ivan Radulov** was most prominent during the 1970s, **winning the Bulgarian Championship in 1971, 1974, 1977 and 1980**. It was during this decade that Radulov, together with → **Evgenij Ermenkov**, took over from → strong IM **Oleg Neikirch**, → **Milko Bobotsov** (the first ever Bulgarian GM in 1961), → **Nikola Padevsky**, → strong IM **Nikolay Minev**, and → **Georgi Tringov** as Bulgaria's leading player, eventually giving way to → **Kiril Georgiev** in the 1980s, followed later by → superstar **Veselin Topalov**, and → **Ivan Cheparinov**.

Most important international tournament victories at **Helsinki (Zonal) 1972** (clear first, above Andersson, Westerinen, Timman, Ribli, Gheorghiu, Matanovic, Matulovic, Robatsch, Hecht or Lothar Schmid, in no particular order), **Montilla-Moriles 1974** (ahead of joint seconds **Lubomir Kavalek**, and **Helmut Pflieger**, as well as **Miguel Quinteros**, **Florin Gheorghiu** and **Ulf Andersson**), **Torremolinos (Costa del Sol) 1975** (together with **Miguel Quinteros**): http://www.ajedrezdeataque.com/04%20Articulos/00%20Otros%20articulos/Pereiro/C_S_1975.htm
Bajmok 1975 (shared with **Milan Matulović** and **Milan Vukić**), **Montilla-Moriles 1975** again (together with **Lev Polugaevsky**).

Montilla-Moriles survey, and Year-by-Year statistics:

<http://www.ajedrezdeataque.com/04%20Articulos/00%20Otros%20articulos/Pereiro/Montilla.htm>
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<http://www.ajedrezdeataque.com/04%20Articulos/51%20Bellon/Montilla.htm> (1978)

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