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## Chess Stars Tournament

On 25th and 26th May 2019, Lindores Abbey Distillery, Newburgh KY14 6HH, will host the Lindores Abbey Chess Stars Tournament, bringing the game of kings back to the Abbey after 500 years.

Three players have been confirmed thus far:

- World Chess Champion **Magnus Carlsen**,
- Former World Chess Champion **Viswanathan 'Vishy' Anand**,
- Three-time Chinese Chess Champion **Ding Liren**.
- **TBC**

The tournament will take place over two days and the games will be played in the Distillery Still Room, overlooking the Abbey ruins where no fewer than five monarchs once walked.

### Program of Events

- Saturday 25th May
  - 13:00 Arrival of the Grandmasters
  - 13:30 – 17:00 3 rounds Rapidplay 10 minute intervals between rounds.
    - 13:30 Round 1
    - 14:45 Round 2
    - 16:00 Round 3
  - 17:30 Summary of the Game of the Day  
Discussion of results / games with players
  - 18:00 – 19:00 Activities
- Sunday 26th May
  - 13:00 Arrival of the Grandmasters
  - 13:30 – 17:00 3 rounds Rapidplay 10 minute intervals between rounds.
    - 13:30 Round 4
    - 14:45 Round 5
    - 16:00 Round 6
  - 17:30 Summary of the Game of the Day  
Discussion of results / games with players
  - 1800 Closing Ceremony and Prizegiving
- Note: The above start times for rounds 2, 3, 5 & 6 may be delayed should preceding games extend the playing session.

### Live Games

The games will be streamed on screens throughout the visitor centre for the audience, as well as being live streamed on Lindores Abbey website and Chess 24 (the game-side seats are by invitation only). Attendees will have the unique opportunity to meet and chat with the grandmasters in an informal atmosphere after the matches.

In addition to this the players will host post-match analysis talks and sign autographs.

There will be a live commentary and a roving commentator who will circulate around the viewing audience.



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## **Ticket Information**

Tickets will be priced at £20.00 per person and there is availability for 70 visitors on each day (Saturday and Sunday).

Tickets are available through:

- Lindores Abbey website. <https://lindoresabbeydistillery.com/shop/chess-tickets/>
- Directly from the visitor centre:
  - telephone: 01337 842547
  - In person.

Tickets are limited to no more than four per person for one day only and will be sold on a first come, first served basis. We truly regret that we are unable to offer more than 70 tickets daily but unfortunately space is very limited within the distillery.

## **Refreshments**

There will be food and drink vendors on site during the day to provide refreshments and we will provide free on-site parking along with complimentary access to the beautiful Lindores abbey ruins.

## **Gifts**

The Lindores Abbey Distillery visitor centre shop will be open selling Chess Stars merchandise as well as Aqua Vitae and other gifts.

## **Travel Directions**

### **Rail**

The nearest train stations to Newburgh are Cupar (10 miles), Ladybank (8 miles) or Perth (11.5 miles).

### **Taxi**

The local taxi service is Burnside Travel in Auchtermuchty (07902 559 454) and we also recommend Starfish St Andrews (07790 021 000), Falkland Taxis (01337 857 485) and Brig Taxis at Bridge of Earn (01738 812812).

### **Bus**

Bus routes are the 36 which runs from Perth and Glenrothes to Newburgh and the 94 which runs from St Andrews and Cupar to Newburgh and includes a stop at Ladybank.

**Whilst we have endeavoured to be as accurate as possible in the preparation of this information, some of the timings may be subject to alteration.**