

Deal 1

North Deals

None Vul

♠ J 5

♥ 5

♦ K 10 5 2

♣ K 10 8 7 6 2

13
7 3
17

♠ A K 8 7 4

♥ J 8 6

♦ A J 6

♣ 9 3

♠ Q 6

♥ A K Q 9 7 2

♦ 9 8 4

♣ A Q



♠ 10 9 3 2

♥ 10 4 3

♦ Q 7 3

♣ J 5 4

West	North	East	South
	1 ♠	Pass	2 ♥
Pass	3 ♥	Pass	4 ♣
Pass	4 ♦	Pass	4 NT
Pass	5 ♥	Pass	5 NT
Pass	6 ♦	Pass	6 ♥
ALL	Pass		
6 ♥ by South			

North opens 1 ♠. South has a mountain, but there is seldom a need to jump-shift when using 2/1. He bids 2 ♥.

North's priority on her first rebid is to agree trumps if possible. Knowing South has at least a 5-card suit, she bids 3 ♥.

South naturally feels slammish, and shows it with a control-showing cue-bid, 4 ♣. Do not even THINK this might be Gerber.

North doesn't have any extra strength, but that doesn't matter. With North making a slam try she should cooperate by showing her ♦ control. It is important to realize that North isn't showing any extra strength, she is merely going along with South.

South asks for Aces and gets two. He decides to find out about Kings, if North

happens to have three he will bid 7 NT. When North shows just one South settles for 6 ♥. This should be a good slam, needing only a decent ♠ break.

Deal 2

South Deals

None Vul

♠ A 4

♥ Q J 6

♦ 7 6 4 2

♣ A 9 6 3

♠ 5 2

♥ 10 5 3

♦ K Q J 9 5 3

♣ 4 2



♠ K 10 9

♥ 9 7 4 2

♦ A 10

♣ Q J 10 8

♠ Q J 8 7 6 3

♥ A K 8

♦ 8

♣ K 7 5

11
6 10
13

*West**North**East**South*

Pass

1 NT

Pass

1 ♠

Pass

3 ♠

Pass

2 ♠

Pass

Pass

Pass

4 ♠

4 ♠ by South

South opens 1 ♠. With 11 points North cannot respond 2 ♣. So she bids 1 NT, which is forcing for 1 round.

South's first priority is to show a 4-card ♥ suit. Since he doesn't have one his next priority is to rebid the 6-card ♠s.

North is strong enough to invite, and with the known 8-card fit she says 3 ♠.

South has a little extra so he bids 4 ♠, which is a pretty good contract.

Deal 3

South Deals
None Vul

♠ 6 5
♥ K 7 6 4
♦ K 9 5 4
♣ 10 9 8

13
6 10
11

♠ 10 7
♥ Q 10 3
♦ A J 6
♣ A Q 6 4 2



♠ Q J 9 8 4 2
♥ A J 9 5
♦ 8 3
♣ K

♠ A K 3
♥ 8 2
♦ Q 10 7 2
♣ J 7 5 3

West	North	East	South
			1 ♠
Pass	2 ♣	Pass	2 ♥
Pass	2 NT	Pass	3 ♠
Pass	4 ♠	Pass	Pass
Pass			
4 ♠ by South			

South opens 1 ♠. Perhaps a little marginal, but you don't pass 13 point hands. North has a good 2/1 response of 2 ♣.

South's first priority is to show a 4-card ♥ suit, so he does. North wouldn't dare support ♥s with only three cards, but has a good 2 NT bid.

South is not happy in notrump so rebids the 6-card major, 3 ♠. North's two ♠s are enough support so she bids the ♠ game.

Deal 4

South Deals
None Vul

♠ A J 8

♥ Q 6 5 2

♦ 8 7 3

♣ A 7 4

♠ 9 6 2

♥ A K 10 9 3

♦ J 9 2

♣ 6 3



♠ 10 4

♥ J 4

♦ A 10 5 4

♣ K J 10 8 2

♠ K Q 7 5 3

♥ 8 7

♦ K Q 6

♣ Q 9 5

11
8 9
12

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
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Pass	1 NT	Pass	1 ♠
Pass	3 ♠	Pass	2 ♣
Pass			Pass

3 ♠ by South

South opens 1 ♠. North cannot say 2 ♥ because he only has 11 points, and also because he only has 4 ♥s. So he bids 1 NT (forcing for 1 round).

South rebids 2 ♣, a 3-card suit. North now jumps to 3 ♠, showing limit-raise strength. This sequence is the way to show a limit-raise with only 3 trumps; an immediate jump-raise to the 3-level shows a limit-raise with 4 trumps.

In any case South has a bare minimum and passes the invitation.