

Deal 1

South Deals
None Vul

♠ 10 5 4
♥ 9 6
♦ A K J 3 2
♣ 10 8 7

13
8 6
13

West

1 ♦

Pass

Pass

4 ♠ by South

♠ Q 9 6 2
♥ A K 5 3
♦ 8 4
♣ A 6 2



♠ A K J 7
♥ 8 7
♦ 9 7 6
♣ K Q 5 4

North

Dbl

4 ♠

East

Pass

Pass

South

1 ♣

1 ♠

Pass

NORTH has both Majors and planned on bidding 1

1TM

first, (up-the-line).

But WEST's overcall gave NORTH the opportunity to bid both Majors at the same time! Since the

Negative Double promises both Majors it was like NORTH could bid 1

1TM

1TM.

SOUTH has 1TMs so she bids 1TM, showing a minimum opener.

NORTH has 13 points and the 1TM fit so he bids game.

Deal 2

South Deals

None Vul

♠ J 8
 ♥ Q 6
 ♦ Q J 4 3 2
 ♣ A 9 6 3

13
 10 3
 14

West

1 ♦

Pass

Pass

3 NT by South

♠ A K 6 2

♥ A 10 9 3

♦ 9 7

♣ Q 8 2



♠ Q 9 7

♥ J 8 7

♦ A K 6

♣ K J 10 4

North

Dbl

3 NT

East

Pass

Pass

South

1 ♣

1 NT

Pass

NORTH has 13 points and four cards in both

 $\hat{a}^{\text{TM}} \nmid$

s and \hat{a}^{TM} s. Rather

than bid one of them she makes a Negative Double, promising four cards in EACH of them. It's like

she was able to bid 1

 $\hat{a}^{\text{TM}} \nmid$
 \hat{a}^{TM} .

SOUTH doesn't have four cards in either Major, but with a

 $\hat{a}^{\text{TM}} \mid$

stopper he bids 1 NT.

NORTH happily bids 3 NT.

Deal 3

North Deals

None Vul

♠ 10 5

♥ Q J 9 4 3 2

♦ J 10

♣ J 9 8

13
5 9
13

West

Pass

Pass

4 ♠ by South

♠ A K J 7

♥ 8 7

♦ 9 7 6

♣ K Q 5 4

♠ N
♥ W E
♦ S
♣

♠ Q 9 6 2

♥ A K 5

♦ 8 4

♣ A 6 3 2

North

1 ♣

2 ♠

Pass

Pass

East

1 ♦

Pass

Pass

South

1 ♠

4 ♠

SOUTH cannot respond with a Negative Double on this hand because he has only three

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s.

Instead he just bids his 4-card Major, 1â™.

NORTH shows 4-card support with a minimum opener by bidding 2â™ and SOUTH

has enough strength to bid game.

Deal 4

South Deals

None Vul

♠ Q 8 4

♥ K Q 9 5 4 3

♦ Q J

♣ J 9

15

11 1

13

West

2 ♥

Pass

Pass

3 NT by South

♠ K 9

♥ 8 6 2

♦ A K 6 3

♣ K Q 7 5



♠ A 10 5 3 2

♥ A J 10

♦ 9 8 7

♣ A 8

North

Dbl

3 NT

East

Pass

Pass

South

1 ♠

2 NT

Pass

NORTH has 15 points, and when West overcalls 2

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in front

of her she has a perfect Negative Double - showing both of the Minor suits.

SOUTH doesn't like the Minor suits, but he has stoppers in

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s, so

he bids 2 NT.

NORTH is more than happy to raise to 3 NT.