

Deal 1South Deals
None Vul

♠ 9 3
♥ 8 3 2
♦ 10 8 4
♣ A Q 9 5 4

8
6 9
17



♠ Q 7 4 2
♥ Q J 10 7 5
♦ K 6
♣ 8 3

♠ A 10 8 6
♥ 9 4
♦ J 9 7 5 3
♣ K J

♠ K J 5
♥ A K 6
♦ A Q 2
♣ 10 7 6 2

| <i>West</i> | <i>North</i> | <i>East</i> | <i>South</i> |
|--------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|
| | | | 1 NT |
| Pass | 2 ♣ | Pass | 2 ♦ |
| Pass | 2 ♥ | Pass | 4 ♥ |
| Pass | Pass | Pass | |
| 4 ♥ by North | | | |

NORTH, with a 5-card AND a 4-card Major first uses Stayman.

SOUTH denies a 4-card Major, so NORTH realizes that ♠'s are out.

He then bids

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s, promising five of them.

SOUTH not only has three

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s, she also has 17 points so

she bids 4

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| Deal 2 | ♠ 10 9 6 | | |
| East Deals | ♥ 9 3 | | |
| None Vul | ♦ 8 5 3 | | |
| | ♣ A K J 9 5 | | |
| ♠ Q 7 4 2 | | ♠ A K J 5 | |
| ♥ Q J 10 7 5 | | ♥ K 6 | |
| ♦ K 7 | | ♦ A Q 6 2 | |
| ♣ 8 3 | | ♣ 10 7 2 | |
| | ♠ 8 3 | | |
| 8 | ♥ A 8 4 2 | | |
| 8 17 | ♦ J 10 9 4 | | |
| 7 | ♣ Q 6 4 | | |
| <i>West</i> | <i>North</i> | <i>East</i> | <i>South</i> |
| 2 ♣ | Pass | 2 ♠ | Pass |
| 4 ♣ | Pass | Pass | Pass |
| 4 ♣ by East | | | |

This is a companion hand to Deal 16.

EAST shows four \hat{a}^{TM} 's following WEST's Stayman bid.

So WEST ignores her five

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

s, having already found

an 8-card Major suit fit. With the fit her hand now revalues to 11 points so she bids $4\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}$.

Deal 3
 South Deals
 None Vul

♠ 10 9 8 6
 ♥ A 9 2
 ♦ 8 5 4 3
 ♣ A 5

8
 8 7
 17

♠ Q 7 4 2
 ♥ Q J 10 7 5
 ♦ K 7
 ♣ 8 3

♠ J 3
 ♥ 8 4 3
 ♦ J 10 9
 ♣ K Q 9 6 4

♠ A K 5
 ♥ K 6
 ♦ A Q 6 2
 ♣ J 10 7 2

| West | North | East | South |
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| | | | 1 NT |
| Pass | 2 ♣ | Pass | 2 ♦ |
| Pass | 2 ♥ | Pass | 3 NT |
| Pass | Pass | Pass | |

3 NT by South

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This is companion #3 to Deal 16 and 17.

NORTH again starts with Stayman, and after SOUTH denies a 4-card Major,

NORTH shows her five

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s.

But in this Deal SOUTH has only a doubleton

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, so he

chooses to play 3 NT.

Deal 4
 East Deals
 None Vul

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| ♠ Q 10 8 6 5 4 ♥ Q 7 5 3 ♦ 7 ♣ A Q | ♠ A 9 2 ♥ 8 2 ♦ Q 10 8 4 2 ♣ 8 5 3 |
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| W | N | E | S |

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| 6 10 16 8 | ♠ 7 3 ♥ J 10 9 4 ♦ A K 6 ♣ 10 7 4 2 |
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| <i>West</i> 2 ♣ 4 ♣ 4 ♣ by West | <i>North</i> Pass Pass | <i>East</i> 1 NT 2 ♦ Pass | <i>South</i> Pass Pass Pass |
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Even with a 6-card \hat{a}^{TM} suit WEST uses Stayman because he also has a 4-card

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

suit. Given a choice, playing a 4-4 Major fit is usually

preferable to a 6-2 or even a 6-3 fit.

But here EAST doesn't have four

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

s so WEST just bids

the game where he knows the partnership holds eight trumps.

Deal 5North Deals
None Vul

♠ A 7
 ♥ K J 6 5
 ♦ A 8 4
 ♣ K Q 10 8

♠ 9 8 5 4 2
 ♥ 7
 ♦ Q J 6
 ♣ J 7 4 2



♠ J 10 6
 ♥ A 2
 ♦ 10 9 7 3 2
 ♣ 9 6 3

♠ K Q 3
 ♥ Q 10 9 8 4 3
 ♦ K 5
 ♣ A 5

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4 5
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| <i>West</i> | <i>North</i> | <i>East</i> | <i>South</i> |
|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|
| | 1 NT | Pass | 2 ♦ |
| Pass | 3 ♥ | Pass | 4 ♣ |
| Pass | 4 ♦ | Pass | 6 ♥ |
| Pass | Pass | Pass | |

6 ♥ by North

NORTH breaks the expected Transfer sequence by jumping to 3

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instead

of bidding just 2

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. This is called the "Super Accept" and it shows

a hand with four of the trump suit with maximum point count.

SOUTH's â™£ bid and NORTH's

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bid are Control bids, showing first

round control of the suit that was bid.