

Board 1

South Deals

None Vul

♠ 5 2
 ♥ T 9 6
 ♦ K Q 9 4 3
 ♣ Q J 8

♠ K T 8 4 3

♥ J 5 3

♦ J 7 6

♣ A K



♠ Q J 9 6

♥ A K

♦ 8 5 2

♣ 9 7 6 5

♠ A 7
 ♥ Q 8 7 4 2
 ♦ A T
 ♣ T 4 3 2

West	North	East	South
			Pass
Pass	1 ♠	Pass	2 ♣
Pass	2 ♦	Pass	2 ♠
All Pass			

2 ♠ by South

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With 11 points in support of ♠s you need to let partner know. The way to do it is to bid 2 ♣.

Partner rebids 2 ♦, confirming a full-strength opening bid. What do you bid next?

You've told partner you had at least a limit raise, now you need to tell him that it is pretty minimal. You bid 2 ♠ and everybody passes.

Board 2

West Deals

N-S Vul

♠ J T 9 6
♥ Q 8
♦ 8 6
♣ K 8 6 5 3

♠ 4 3 2

♥ A J 6 5 3

♦ J 9

♣ A 9 7

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♠ K Q 8 7 5

♥ K 7 4

♦ K Q 7

♣ T 2

♠ A

♥ T 9 2

♦ A T 5 4 3 2

♣ Q J 4

West

Pass

3 ♠

North

Pass

All Pass

East

1 ♠

South

Pass

3 ♠ by West

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You open in third seat and the bidding continues as shown.

If you thought West had 11 points you'd bid 4 ♠. But you know he has a weak hand - with T+ points and support he would have said 2 ♣.

His 3 ♠ bid is just preemptive, so you pass.