

Deal 1

South Deals	♠ A 4
None Vul	♥ Q J 6
	♦ 7 6 4 2
	♣ A 9 6 3

♠ 5 2	♠ K 10 9
♥ 10 5 3	♥ 9 7 4 2
♦ K Q J 9 5 3	♦ A 10
♣ 4 2	♣ Q J 10 8



11	♠ Q J 8 7 6 3
6 10	♥ A K 8
13	♦ 8
	♣ K 7 5

West	North	East	South
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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 2South 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

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♠ A K 3
 ♥ 8 2
 ♦ Q 10 7 2
 ♣ J 7 5 3

♠ Q J 9 8 4 2
 ♥ A J 9 5
 ♦ 8 3
 ♣ K

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
			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 3

South Deals
None Vul

♠ A J 8	
♥ Q 6 5 2	
♦ 8 7 3	
♣ A 7 4	

♠ 9 6 2	♠ 10 4		
♥ A K 10 9 3	♥ J 4		
♦ J 9 2	♦ A 10 5 4		
♣ 6 3	♣ K J 10 8 2		
	♠ K Q 7 5 3		
	♥ 8 7		
	♦ K Q 6		
	♣ Q 9 5		
West	North	East	South
			1 ♠
Pass	1 NT	Pass	2 ♣
Pass	3 ♠	Pass	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.