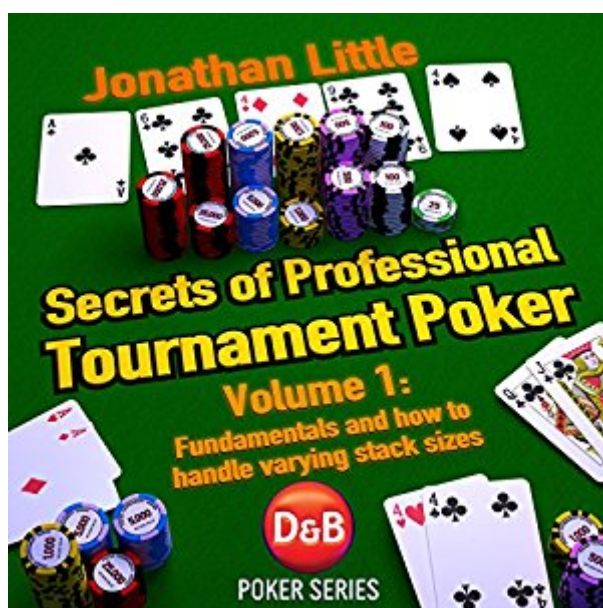


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# Secrets Of Professional Tournament Poker, Volume 1: Fundamentals And How To Handle Varying Stack Sizes



## Synopsis

Tournament poker is a tough game to play, but the rewards for success can be huge. Even regular online tournaments offer substantial prizes running to hundreds of thousands of dollars. If you want to win big at the tables, then you must buy this book. In *Secrets of Professional Tournament Poker: Book 1* you will learn the fundamentals of play and how to handle varying stack sizes. You will learn: Why tournaments are the most profitable form of poker When to play small ball and when to play long ball How to understand effective stack size How to tailor your play to winning, not just cashing... plus much more! Jonathan Little is a professional poker player from Pensacola, Florida who started playing poker when he turned 18 years old. He quickly became one of the biggest winners in online sit-n-go tournaments. He has won two WPT events and final tabled two others, earning him the Season 6 Player of the Year award. He has total earnings in excess of \$5 million. In 2013, he cashed five times in the WSOP, including a 3rd place finish. He has cashed over 20 times at the WSOP. Jonathan is also a poker coach.

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## Customer Reviews

It's no joke that Jonathan Little knows what he is talking about. His book ranks up there with some of the best on no-limit hold'em. The only problem with the book I had after reading through a third of it was that his ideas are presented a little abstractly and hard to follow for the beginner. This book was written for advanced players who can already play comfortably at their respective chip zone and know how to calculate implied odds. I noticed that Jonathan does not mention SPR (stack-to-pot

ratio) and playing with SPRs in the first volume. He does however, mention some pre-flop raising guides and which hands to play in position or out of position; even in late position or in the blinds. I always enjoy that part of poker books. This book should be used as sort of a refresher for those who are similar with how to masterfully play a big stack and are good players. I do not recommend this book to someone who is just starting out; probably the Harrington on Hold'em series. The basic play must be mastered for tournaments before you can experiment with more advanced plays. The point behind most poker books is play your table and your image respectively and be observant. I would buy this book if you are a poker nut and enjoy reading poker books. I would also read it if you want to improve your play from just a good player to a poker pro.

Very average book. The author gives situation poker advice covering about 5% of tournament play. Also, he preaches an ultra-aggressive positional strategy that does not work against good players. You must mix up your play to win tournaments. Save your \$\$ and avoid this book.

Jonathan Little really had me intrigued from the opening chapter of his book "Secrets of Professional Tournament Poker" with the premise that cash players have essentially struggled to adapt to the differing stack sizes and dealing with how they constantly change as a tournament progresses. This concept really applied to someone like me who makes a living playing cash games and had just ignored tournaments completely prior to this book, thinking that they were just super high variance luckfests. However, after some insight, Little makes a strong case for live tournaments actually being the best form of game selection there is in all of poker, which was no small feat considering my mentality prior to reading his book. With that premise in mind, Little has written this book very well as it just appeals so much to cash game players who do not understand tournament poker - as he has tailored his writing in book this with these kinds of players in mind. Thanks JL, won't look back.

I am not a professional poker player like some of the reviewers here. I am a novice. I wanted to take the time to advise everyone that this is just as good a book for novices like me as it is for professionals. I liked the down to earth style of the book, where Mr. Little takes the time to make complicated poker ideas accessible to beginners like me. I am a big fan of J Little already as I have been a member of his [floattheturn.com](http://floattheturn.com) tutorial web site for a number of years. I would say to any beginner thinking of improving his skills to not be intimidated by the fact that Mr. Little is a world class player. He does his best to make poker accessible to a wide audience. It's his first effort as an

author and he does a great job. I have read a lot of poker books and I think the other benefit of the book is he has some unique ideas not found in other books. I think the book is a sincere effort by him to actually have his reader learn the proper way to play the game. Looking forward to buying Volume 2 when it is written.

I started playing poker 2 months ago. For me, the book is nice because it gave us the picture about when to be brave, how to compute action values on a specified situation. However, I think it's too hard for a new player like me. After I finished the book, I started to try it online. There has not been significant improvement until now.

First and foremost, this book is not your basic, simple poker read. You could give it a quick once over...but, man would you be missing out. There is a lot of valuable information which includes: an introduction to tourneys, fundamentals, overview of playing before and after the flop and then, several chapters addressing various situations based on your stack size. This book is a gold mine of information and really will require some study to to profitably apply the knowledge. I am eager to get back to rereading Jonathan's volume I and digging deeper myself. If you play tournaments and are serious about improving your game then, this is a must read in my opinion. Cheers and hope you enjoy it as much as I have!

This is a great book if you're just starting off. Good reminders for those that have been playing. It's definitely one that should stand the test of time.

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