

Deal 1East Deals
None Vul

♠ K 5
♥ 8 3
♦ J 7 6 5
♣ A 7 6 5 3

3
8 15
14

♠ Q J 9 8 6 4 3

♥ 6 5

♦ 9 4

♣ 10 2

	N	
W		E
S		

♠ A 2
♥ K Q 10
♦ K Q 10 3
♣ J 9 8 4

10 7
♥ A J 9 7 4 2
♦ A 8 2
♣ K Q

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
		1 NT	Dbl
Pass	2 ♠	Pass	Pass
Pass			
2 ♠ by North			

Partner's double asks you to bid 2 ♣ as a relay bid so he can name his suit.

But you don't want him to bid his 6-card suit, your hand is useless unless ♠s are trumps. So ignore the relay request and bid 2 ♠. Everybody passes.

Deal 2

South Deals

None Vul

♠ A J 9 7

♥ J 7 3

♦ K Q 5

♣ Q J 4

$$\begin{matrix} 6 \\ 14 \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} 5 \\ 15 \end{matrix}$$

♠ Q 10 6 5 2

♥ —

♦ 7 4 2

♣ A 9 8 6 2

W	N
S	E

♠ 4

♥ K Q 9 8 6 2

♦ 8 6 3

♣ 10 7 5

$$\begin{matrix} \spadesuit \text{ K } 8 \text{ 3} \\ \heartsuit \text{ A } 10 \text{ 5 } 4 \\ \diamondsuit \text{ A } \text{ J } 10 \text{ 9} \\ \clubsuit \text{ K } 3 \end{matrix}$$

West

North

East

South

1 NT

Pass

Pass

Dbl

Pass

2 ♣

Pass

2 ♥

Pass

Pass

Pass

2 ♥ by East

In the balancing seat it is distribution that counts, not point count. With a 6-card Major suit and a singleton you should not let them play 1 NT. Youdouble.

Partner makes the relay bid of 2 ♣.

You bid your suit, 2 ♥, and everybody passes. Notice that partner had a decent hand, but could not bid over 1 NT in the immediate seat.

Deal 3

East Deals

None Vul

♠ Q J 5 4
♥ A Q 10 9 7
♦ 10
♣ 10 8 7

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ K 2
♥ 6 3
♦ 7 5 3
♣ K J 9 6 5 3

♠ 10 9 6
♥ K 4
♦ A K J 8 2
♣ A 4 2

7
9 15
9
♣ Q

West	North	East	South
Pass	Dbl	1 NT	Pass
Pass	Pass	Pass	2 ♣
2 ♣ by South			

You don't have a 6-card suit, nor do you have a 5-4 pair of suits. So even with a singleton you don't want to use DONT here. So you pass.

Partner makes a DONT double in the balancing seat.

Right now you probably have a premonition about what is going to happen next. But there really is nothing you can say other than **2 ♣**.

Your premonition came true. Partner passes and you are left playing **2 ♣** with a singleton. Nobody promised that DONT would always get you to a good contract.

Deal 4

North Deals

None Vul

♠ A 10 7 2
♥ A 9 5
♦ A K 3
♣ Q 10 7

♠ J 4
♥ K Q J 10 7 4 3
♦ 7 5
♣ 6 2

17
7 8
8

N
W
S
E

♠ 8 5
♥ 8 2
♦ 10 9 6
♣ A K J 9 8 3

♠ K Q 9 6 3
♥ 6
♦ Q J 8 4 2
♣ 5 4

West	North	East	South
	1 NT	Dbl	Pass

2 ♥	Pass	Pass	Pass
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Pass

2 ♥ by West

You only have 8 HCP but with such a good 6-card suit you should interfere with a DONT bid. You double and partner surprises you by saying 2 ♥.

There is a reason partner didn't say 2 ♣ (which you were going to pass). And the reason is that he figures you will be better off in his ♥s. Since you trust your partner you pass.

Deal 5West Deals
None Vul

♠ 10 6 5
 ♥ K 5
 ♦ A J 9 5
 ♣ A Q J 6

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₈ 4

♠ K Q J 8 3
 ♥ A 10 7 6 4
 ♦ 6
 ♣ K 8

W N
S E

♠ A 9 4 2
 ♥ 9 3
 ♦ 8 3 2
 ♣ 10 5 4 2

♠ 7
 ♥ Q J 8 2
 ♦ K Q 10 7 4
 ♣ 9 7 3

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
1 NT	2 ♥	Pass	3 ♥
Pass	4 ♥	Pass	Pass
Pass			
4 ♥ by North			

Since partner has entered the bidding in the immediate seat he should have a pretty good hand, with 9+ cards in ♥s and ♠s.

Usually you are happy to settle for partscore after a DONT sequence, but with such an excellent fit for ♥s your hand is worth a raise.

So you bid 3 ♥ and partner says 4 ♥.

Deal 6East Deals
E-W Vul♠ K 5
♥ 8 3
♦ J 7 6 5
♣ A 7 6 5 33
8 14
15

♠ Q J 9 8 6 4 3

♥ 6 5

♦ 9 4

♣ 10 2

N
W E
S♠ A 2
♥ K Q 10
♦ K Q 10 3
♣ J 9 8 4♠ 10 7
♥ A J 9 7 4 2
♦ A 8 2
♣ K Q

Deal 7

South Deals

Both Vul

♠ Q 10 6 5 2

♥ —

♦ 7 4 2

♣ A 9 8 6 2

♠ A J 9 7

♥ J 7 3

♦ K Q 5

♣ Q J 4

N
W E
S

♠ 4
♥ K Q 9 8 6 2
♦ 8 6 3
♣ 10 7 5

6
14 5
15

♠ K 8 3
♥ A 10 5 4
♦ A J 10 9
♣ K 3

Deal 8

West Deals ♠ K 2
None Vul ♥ 6 3
♦ 7 5 3
♣ K J 9 6 5 3
♠ Q J 5 4 ♠ 10 9 6
♥ A Q 10 9 7 N
♦ 10 ♥ K 4
♣ 10 8 7 ♦ A K J 8 2
 S
 W E

7
9 ♠ A 8 7 3
9 ♥ J 8 5 2
15 ♦ Q 9 6 4
♣ Q

Deal 9

North Deals

E-W Vul

♦ A 10 7 2

♥ A 9 5

♦ A K 3

♣ Q 10 7

♠ J 4

♥ K Q J 10 7 4 3

♦ 7 5

♣ 6 2



♠ 8 5

♥ 8 2

♦ 10 9 6

♣ A K J 9 8 3

♠ K Q 9 6 3

♥ 6

♦ Q J 8 4 2

♣ 5 4

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7 8

Deal 10

East Deals
Both Vul

♠ K Q J 8 3
♥ A 10 7 6 4
♦ 6
♣ K 8

♠ 10 6 5 ♠ A 9 4 2
♥ K 5 ♥ 9 3
♦ A J 9 5 ♦ 8 3 2
♣ A Q J 6 ♣ 10 5 4 2

♠ 7
♥ Q J 8 2
♦ K Q 10 7 4
♣ 9 7 3

N
W E
S

13
15 4
8

Deal 11

♠ Q J 9 8 6 4 3

South Deals

♥ 6 5

None Vul

♦ 9 4

♣ 10 2

♠ K 5

♥ 8 3

♦ J 7 6 5

♣ A 7 6 5 3



♠ A 2

♥ K Q 10

♦ K Q 10 3

♣ J 9 8 4

♠ 10 7

♥ A J 9 7 4 2

♦ A 8 2

♣ K Q

3
8
14**15**

Deal 12

West Deals

N-S Vul

♠ Q 10 6 5 2

♥ —

♦ 7 4 2

♣ A 9 8 6 2

♠ A J 9 7

♥ J 7 3

♦ K Q 5

♣ Q J 4

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ 4

♥ K Q 9 8 6 2

♦ 8 6 3

♣ 10 7 5

6
14 5
15

♠ K 8 3
♥ A 10 5 4
♦ A J 10 9
♣ K 3

Deal 13

North Deals ♠ K 2
Both Vul ♥ 6 3
 ♦ 7 5 3
 ♣ K J 9 6 5 3
♠ Q J 5 4 ♠ 10 9 6
♥ A Q 10 9 7 ♥ K 4
♦ 10 ♦ A K J 8 2
♣ 10 8 7 ♣ A 4 2

N
W E
S

7
9 15
9

♠ A 8 7 3
♥ J 8 5 2
♦ Q 9 6 4
♣ Q

Deal 14

East Deals

None Vul

♠ A 10 7 2

♥ A 9 5

♦ A K 3

♣ Q 10 7

♠ J 4

♥ K Q J 10 7 4 3

♦ 7 5

♣ 6 2



♠ 8 5

♥ 8 2

♦ 10 9 6

♣ A K J 9 8 3

♠ K Q 9 6 3

♥ 6

♦ Q J 8 4 2

♣ 5 4

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7 8

Deal 15 ♠ K Q J 8 3
South Deals ♥ A 10 7 6 4
N-S Vul ♦ 6
 ♣ K 8

♠ 10 6 5 ♠ A 9 4 2
♥ K 5 ♥ 9 3
♦ A J 9 5 ♦ 8 3 2
♣ A Q J 6 ♣ 10 5 4 2

N
W E
S

♠ 7
13 ♥ Q J 8 2
15 4 ♦ K Q 10 7 4
8 ♣ 9 7 3

Deal 16

West Deals

E-W Vul

♠ Q J 9 8 6 4 3

♥ 6 5

♦ 9 4

♣ 10 2

♠ K 5

♥ 8 3

♦ J 7 6 5

♣ A 7 6 5 3

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ A 2

♥ K Q 10

♦ K Q 10 3

♣ J 9 8 4

♠ 10 7

♥ A J 9 7 4 2

♦ A 8 2

♣ K Q

3
8 15
14

Deal 17

North Deals

None Vul

♠ Q 10 6 5 2

♥ —

♦ 7 4 2

♣ A 9 8 6 2

♠ A J 9 7

♥ J 7 3

♦ K Q 5

♣ Q J 4

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

♠ K 8 3

♥ A 10 5 4

♦ A J 10 9

♣ K 3

6
14 5
15

Deal 18

East Deals	♠ K 2
N-S Vul	♥ 6 3
	♦ 7 5 3
	♣ K J 9 6 5 3
♠ Q J 5 4	♠ 10 9 6
♥ A Q 10 9 7	♥ K 4
♦ 10	♦ A K J 8 2
♣ 10 8 7	♣ A 4 2
	♠ A 8 7 3
9 7 9 15	♥ J 8 5 2
	♦ Q 9 6 4
	♣ Q

N
W E
S

Deal 19

South Deals

E-W Vul

♦ A 10 7 2

♥ A 9 5

♦ A K 3

♣ Q 10 7

♠ J 4

♥ K Q J 10 7 4 3

♦ 7 5

♣ 6 2



♠ 8 5

♥ 8 2

♦ 10 9 6

♣ A K J 9 8 3

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7 8

♠ K Q 9 6 3

♥ 6

♦ Q J 8 4 2

♣ 5 4

Deal 20 ♠ K Q J 8 3

West Deals ♥ A 10 7 6 4

Both Vul ♦ 6

♣ K 8

♠ 10 6 5

♥ K 5

♦ A J 9 5

♣ A Q J 6

N
W E
S

♠ A 9 4 2

♥ 9 3

♦ 8 3 2

♣ 10 5 4 2

♠ 7

♥ Q J 8 2

♦ K Q 10 7 4

♣ 9 7 3

13
15 4
8

Deal 21 ♠ Q J 9 8 6 4 3

North Deals ♥ 6 5

N-S Vul ♦ 9 4

♣ 10 2

♠ K 5

♥ 8 3

♦ J 7 6 5

♣ A 7 6 5 3

N
W E
S

♠ A 2
♥ K Q 10
♦ K Q 10 3
♣ J 9 8 4

♠ 10 7
3
8 15
14
♦ A 8 2
♣ K Q

Deal 22

East Deals

E-W Vul

♠ Q 10 6 5 2

♥ —

♦ 7 4 2

♣ A 9 8 6 2

♠ A J 9 7

♥ J 7 3

♦ K Q 5

♣ Q J 4

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ 4

♥ K Q 9 8 6 2

♦ 8 6 3

♣ 10 7 5

6
14 5
15

♠ K 8 3

♥ A 10 5 4

♦ A J 10 9

♣ K 3

Deal 23

South Deals ♠ K 2
Both Vul ♥ 6 3
 ♦ 7 5 3
 ♣ K J 9 6 5 3
♠ Q J 5 4 ♠ 10 9 6
♥ A Q 10 9 7 ♥ K 4
♦ 10 ♦ A K J 8 2
♣ 10 8 7 ♣ A 4 2

N
W E
S

7
9 15
9

♠ A 8 7 3
♥ J 8 5 2
♦ Q 9 6 4
♣ Q

Deal 24

West Deals

None Vul

♠ A 10 7 2

♥ A 9 5

♦ A K 3

♣ Q 10 7

♠ J 4

♥ K Q J 10 7 4 3

♦ 7 5

♣ 6 2



♠ 8 5

♥ 8 2

♦ 10 9 6

♣ A K J 9 8 3

♠ K Q 9 6 3

♥ 6

♦ Q J 8 4 2

♣ 5 4

17
7 8

Deal 25

North Deals

E-W Vul

♠ K Q J 8 3

♥ A 10 7 6 4

♦ 6

♣ K 8

♠ 10 6 5

♥ K 5

♦ A J 9 5

♣ A Q J 6

N
W E
S

♠ A 9 4 2

♥ 9 3

♦ 8 3 2

♣ 10 5 4 2

♠ 7

♥ Q J 8 2

♦ K Q 10 7 4

♣ 9 7 3

13
15 4
8

Deal 26

East Deals

Both Vul

♠ Q J 9 8 6 4 3

♥ 6 5

♦ 9 4

♣ 10 2

♠ K 5

♥ 8 3

♦ J 7 6 5

♣ A 7 6 5 3

W N E S

♠ A 2
♥ K Q 10
♦ K Q 10 3
♣ J 9 8 43
8 15
14♠ 10 7
♥ A J 9 7 4 2
♦ A 8 2
♣ K Q

Deal 27

South Deals

None Vul

♠ Q 10 6 5 2

♥ —

♦ 7 4 2

♣ A 9 8 6 2

♠ A J 9 7

♥ J 7 3

♦ K Q 5

♣ Q J 4

N
W E
S

♠ 4
♥ K Q 9 8 6 2
♦ 8 6 3
♣ 10 7 5

♠ K 8 3

♥ A 10 5 4

♦ A J 10 9

♣ K 3

6
14 5
15

Deal 28

West Deals

N-S Vul

♦ 7 5 3

♣ K J 9 6 5 3

♠ Q J 5 4

♥ A Q 10 9 7

♦ 10

♣ 10 8 7

N
W E
S

♠ 10 9 6

♥ K 4

♦ A K J 8 2

♣ A 4 2

♠ A 8 7 3

♥ J 8 5 2

♦ Q 9 6 4

♣ Q

7
9 15
9

Deal 29 ♠ A 10 7 2

North Deals ♥ A 9 5

Both Vul ♦ A K 3

♣ Q 10 7

♠ J 4

♥ K Q J 10 7 4 3

♦ 7 5

♣ 6 2



♠ 8 5

♥ 8 2

♦ 10 9 6

♣ A K J 9 8 3

♠ K Q 9 6 3

♥ 6

♦ Q J 8 4 2

♣ 5 4

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7 8

Deal 30

East Deals

None Vul

♠ K Q J 8 3

♥ A 10 7 6 4

♦ 6

♣ K 8

♠ 10 6 5

♥ K 5

♦ A J 9 5

♣ A Q J 6

N
W E
S

♠ A 9 4 2
♥ 9 3
♦ 8 3 2
♣ 10 5 4 2

13
15 4
8

♠ 7
♥ Q J 8 2
♦ K Q 10 7 4
♣ 9 7 3

Deal 31 ♠ Q J 9 8 6 4 3

South Deals ♥ 6 5

N-S Vul ♦ 9 4

♣ 10 2

♠ K 5

♥ 8 3

♦ J 7 6 5

♣ A 7 6 5 3

N
W E
S

♠ A 2
♥ K Q 10
♦ K Q 10 3
♣ J 9 8 4

3
8 15
14

♠ 10 7
♥ A J 9 7 4 2
♦ A 8 2
♣ K Q

Deal 32

West Deals

E-W Vul

♠ Q 10 6 5 2

♥ —

♦ 7 4 2

♣ A 9 8 6 2

♠ A J 9 7

♥ J 7 3

♦ K Q 5

♣ Q J 4

N
W E
S

♠ 4
♥ K Q 9 8 6 2
♦ 8 6 3
♣ 10 7 5

6
14 5
15

♠ K 8 3
♥ A 10 5 4
♦ A J 10 9
♣ K 3

Deal 33

North Deals ♠ K 2
None Vul ♥ 6 3
 ♦ 7 5 3
 ♣ K J 9 6 5 3
♠ Q J 5 4 ♠ 10 9 6
♥ A Q 10 9 7 ♥ K 4
♦ 10 ♦ A K J 8 2
♣ 10 8 7 ♣ A 4 2

N
W E
S

7
9 15
9

♠ A 8 7 3
♥ J 8 5 2
♦ Q 9 6 4
♣ Q

Deal 34

East Deals

N-S Vul

♠ A 10 7 2

♥ A 9 5

♦ A K 3

♣ Q 10 7

♠ J 4

♥ K Q J 10 7 4 3

♦ 7 5

♣ 6 2



♠ 8 5

♥ 8 2

♦ 10 9 6

♣ A K J 9 8 3

♠ K Q 9 6 3

♥ 6

♦ Q J 8 4 2

♣ 5 4

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7 8

Deal 35 ♠ K Q J 8 3
South Deals ♥ A 10 7 6 4
E-W Vul ♦ 6
 ♣ K 8

♠ 10 6 5 ♠ A 9 4 2
♥ K 5 ♥ 9 3
♦ A J 9 5 ♦ 8 3 2
♣ A Q J 6 ♣ 10 5 4 2

N
W E
S

♠ 7
13 ♥ Q J 8 2
15 4 ♦ K Q 10 7 4
8 ♣ 9 7 3