

Deal 1South Deals
None Vul

♠ 6 4
♥ 7 3
♦ A Q 8 4 2
♣ Q 10 7 2

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

♠ J 10 8 7 3
♥ J 5 4
♦ K 7 3
♣ J 8

♠ K Q 9 2
♥ A 10 6
♦ J 5
♣ K 9 5 4

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

4 ♥ by North

With 14 points you will insist on game, but you aren't strong enough to jump shift. So you bid 1 ♥. Partner rebids 1 ♠.

Partner shows nothing extra. All you know now is that he doesn't have 4 ♥s. You know you want to be in game, but you aren't sure which game. If partner has 3 ♥s then 4 ♥ would be good. If not though, 3 NT would be good if he has a ♦ stopper. The way to find out what he has is with Fourth Suit Forcing. So you bid 2 ♦. Partner answers with 2 ♥.

Partner tells you he has 3 ♥s. You bid the ♥ game.

Deal 2

South Deals

None Vul

♠ A 10 5
♥ K 7 4
♦ 10 9 8 5 2
♣ K 7

10
10 7
13

West

♠ K 7 2
♥ A J 10 9 3
♦ Q 6
♣ 9 5 3

♠ J 4 3
♥ Q 6 5
♦ J 3
♣ Q J 8 6 2

♠ Q 9 8 6
♥ 8 2
♦ A K 7 4
♣ A 10 4

North

East

South

1♦

Pass

1♥

Pass

2♣

Pass

Pass

2 NT by South

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| W | N |
| S | E |

You are the dealer.

With 13 points you open 1♦. Partner responds 1♥.

Partner might be 4-4 in the Majors so you bid 1♠. Apparently he wasn't since he says 2♣.

This is Fourth Suit Forcing and partner may or may not have a ♣ suit. You do not have 3 ♥s. You do have a ♣ stopper, so with a minimum hand you bid 2 NT and partner passes.

Deal 3

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

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| ♠ J 10 8 7 3 | ♠ 6 4 |
| ♥ A 7 5 | ♥ J 4 3 |
| ♦ K 7 3 | ♦ Q 8 4 2 |
| ♣ J 8 | ♣ Q 10 7 2 |



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| 13 | ♠ A 5 |
| 9 5 | ♥ K Q 9 8 2 |
| 13 | ♦ 10 9 6 |
| | ♣ A 6 3 |

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

3 NT by North

With 14 points you will insist on game, but you aren't strong enough to jump shift. So you bid 1 ♥. Partner rebids 1 ♠.

Partner shows nothing extra. All you know now is that he doesn't have 4 ♥s. You know you want to be in game, but you aren't sure which game. If partner has 3 ♥s then 4 ♥ would be good. If not though, 3 NT would be good if he has a ♦ stopper. The way to find out what he has is with Fourth Suit Forcing. So you bid 2 ♦. Partner answers with 2 NT.

Partner does not have 3 ♥s, but he does have ♦s stopped. So you bid 3 NT.

Deal 4

South Deals

None Vul

♠ Q 4 3

♥ 9 7 5

♦ J 3

♣ K J 6 5 2

♠ A K 7 5 2

♥ 8 6 3

♦ A K

♣ 9 8 4



♠ J 10 9 8

♥ K Q 4 2

♦ 8 7 6 2

♣ 10

$$\begin{matrix} 14 \\ 7 \quad 6 \\ 13 \end{matrix}$$

♠ 6

♥ A J 10

♦ Q 10 9 5 4

♣ A Q 7 3

West

North

East

South

1♦

Pass

1♠

Pass

2♣

Pass

2♥

Pass

3 NT

Pass

Pass

Pass

3 NT by South

You are the dealer.

You open your 5-card suit, 1♦. Partner responds 1♠.

You might bid 1 NT, but since you have a singleton you prefer to say 2♣.

Partner bids 2♥. What do you say?

This is Fourth Suit Forcing and partner is fishing for more information. You certainly don't have 3 of his ♠s so that is out. On the other hand, you have a double stopper in ♥s, so with 14 points you go right to 3 NT.

Deal 5South Deals
None Vul

♠ 9 8 6 5
 ♥ K 9 2
 ♦ A 7 6 5 2
 ♣ 9

♠ K J 10 7
 ♥ Q J
 ♦ K Q J 9
 ♣ J 7 6



♠ A 3 2
 ♥ 7 5 3
 ♦ 10 4
 ♣ Q 10 5 4 3

♠ Q 4
 ♥ A 10 8 6 4
 ♦ 8 3
 ♣ A K 8 2

| <i>West</i> | <i>North</i> | <i>East</i> | <i>South</i> |
|---------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|
| | | | 1 ♥ |
| Pass | 1 ♠ | Pass | 2 ♣ |
| Pass | 3 NT | Pass | Pass |
| Pass | | | |
| 3 NT by North | | | |

You show your 4-card Major. Bid 1 ♠. Partner rebids 2 ♣. What do you say next?

You have a nice ♦ suit but don't bid it now. That would be FSF and partner would assume you didn't have a ♦ stopper.

With 13 points, bid what you expect to make, 3 NT. Partner passes.