

Deal 1

East Deals

None Vul

♠ K 10 9 3 2
♥ J 9 4
♦ 10 7 3
♣ 10 4

11
4 15
10

West

Pass

Pass

2 ♣ by North

♠ A 8 6 4
♥ Q 10 8 7
♦ K 6 4 2
♣ Q



♠ 7 5
♥ 5 2
♦ Q 9 5
♣ A K J 9 8 3

North

2 ♣

♠ Q J
♥ A K 6 3
♦ A J 8
♣ 7 6 5 2

East

1 NT

Pass

South

Dbl

Pass

This is a perfect hand with which to Disturb the Opponent's No Trump. You double and partner bids 2 ♣, the relay bid.

What do you say next?

You say pass, of course.

Deal 2

North Deals

None Vul

♠ A 7 6

♥ Q 10 5 3

♦ J 7 4 2

♣ 8 5

15
7 10
8

West

2 ♦

Pass

2 ♠ by East

♠ J 10 2

♥ A K 7

♦ K 10 9 5

♣ A 10 3

N
W E
S

♠ 4 3

♥ J 9 8 2

♦ A Q 3

♣ J 7 6 4

North

1 NT

Pass

Pass

East

2 ♣

2 ♠

South

Pass

Pass

Partner has two suits, ♣s and something else.

With ♣s your worst suit, you prefer to play in something else. So you bid the next suit up-the-line, which is 2 ♦.

Partner corrects to 2 ♠, his "something else" and you pass.

Deal 3

East Deals

None Vul

♠ 10 9 5

♥ 5

♦ Q J 10 7 3 2

♣ A 4 2

12
7 15
6

West

Pass

Pass

2 ♥ by South

♠ A K 6 3 2

♥ 9 4

♦ 8

♣ K Q 9 7 5

N
W E
S

♠ 8 7

♥ K Q J 10 8 7

♦ 9 6 5

♣ 8 3

North

2 ♣

Pass

East

1 NT

Pass

Pass

South

Pass

2 ♥

You have 12 HCP, certainly enough to use DONT in either seat. With your black 2-suiter you bid the lowest one, 2 ♣.

Partner says 2 ♥.

Partner would have bid 2 ♦, the next suit up the line, to ask you to name your other suit. His 2 ♥ bid says he wants to play right there.

So you pass.

Deal 4

North Deals

None Vul

♠ Q 9 7 4 2

♥ K 10 9 4

♦ 7 5

♣ 4 2

17

5 14

4

West

2 ♥

2 ♥ by West

♠ K J 10 6

♥ A Q 3 2

♦ K 10

♣ A 10 5



♠ 8 5

♥ 8 7

♦ J 9 4 3 2

♣ Q J 9 7

North

1 NT

Pass

East

Pass

Pass

South

Pass

Pass

You would have opened 1 ♦ but after North opens 1 NT you must pass.

Partner bids 2 ♥ in the balancing seat.

The 2 ♥ bid shows ♥s and ♠s.

You like ♥s better and don't have enough strength to think about game so you pass.

Deal 5

West Deals

None Vul

♠ A 8 3
♥ A Q 9 4
♦ K 10 6
♣ Q 9 2

8
15 7
10

West

1 NT

Pass

2 ♠ by North

♠ K Q J 9 7 5

♥ 5 2

♦ Q 9 5

♣ 8 3



♠ 10 6 4

♥ J 10 8 3

♦ A J 8

♣ A 7 5

North

2 ♠

East

Pass

South

Pass

You have a good 6-card suit but only 8 HCP. This is bare minimum for a DONT bid. The fact that your suit is ♠s should sway you toward bidding.

But with the weak hand you bid 2 ♠ instead of double. Everybody passes.

Deal 6

East Deals

None Vul

♠ 9 7 4 2

♥ A 10 5

♦ 8 3 2

♣ 5 4 2

4
4 16
16

West

Pass

1 NT by East

♠ 8 6 5 3

♥ Q 9 2

♦ 7 5 4

♣ Q 6 3



♠ A J 10

♥ K J 7

♦ Q J 9 6

♣ A 10 7

North

Pass

East

1 NT

South

Pass

With 16 points and a balanced hand you were planning on opening 1 NT yourself.

But one of the consequences of playing DONT is that you have no bid to describe this hand. You cannot double because then partner would just bid 2 ♣ as a relay and you wouldn't know where to go.

So you pass.