

Deal 1

East Deals
None Vul

♠ 8 7
♥ J 10 2
♦ J 10 7 3
♣ J 6 4 2

7
3 17
13

♠ A 10 3 2

♥ 6 4

♦ 9 8

♣ K 10 9 7 5



♠ K J 9 6

♥ K 9 7 3

♦ A Q 6 5

♣ 8

♠ Q 5 4

♥ A Q 8 5

♦ K 4 2

♣ A Q 3

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

You have only 7 HCP but expect partner to have a reasonable hand since West could not keep the bidding open. With your black 2-suiter you bid the lowest one, 2 ♣.

Partner says 2 ♦.

Partner's 2 ♦ bid, the next suit up the line, asks you to name your other suit (or pass if your other suit is ♦s).

You bid 2 ♠ and everybody passes.

Deal 2

West Deals
None Vul

♠ Q 4
♥ A 5 4
♦ K 9 7 4 2
♣ K Q J

16
15 5
4

West
1 NT
Pass
Pass
4 ♠ by South

♠ A J 7 3
♥ K Q 9
♦ A Q 8 6
♣ 6 3



♠ K 10 8 6 5 2
♥ J 6 3
♦ 10 5
♣ 8 7

North

Pass
4 ♠

East

Pass
Pass

South

2 ♠
Pass

You would have opened 1 NT but West beat you to it. You cannot double for penalties when you use DONT, so you pass.

Partner bids 2 ♠ in the balancing seat.

The 2 ♠ bid shows a weak hand, with more strength partner would have first doubled, then bid 2 ♠.

Still, you know he has a 6-card suit and you also know that every finesse is going to work. You either bid 3 ♠ or 4 ♠. Be bold.

Deal 3

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 4

East Deals
None Vul

♠ 4 3
♥ J 9 8 2
♦ A Q 3
♣ J 7 6 4

7
8 15
10

♠ A 7 6
♥ Q 10 5 3
♦ J 7 4 2
♣ 8 5



♠ K Q 9 8 5
♥ 6 4
♦ 8 6
♣ K Q 9 2

♠ J 10 2
♥ A K 7
♦ K 10 9 5
♣ A 10 3

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

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 5

West Deals
None Vul

♠ Q J 4
♥ A 6 3 2
♦ A K 4
♣ J 10 6

6
15 7
12

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

♠ 8 7
♥ K Q J 10 8 7
♦ 9 6 5
♣ 8 3



♠ A K 6 3 2
♥ 9 4
♦ 8
♣ K Q 9 7 5

♠ 10 9 5
♥ 5
♦ Q J 10 7 3 2
♣ A 4 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.