

Deal 1

North Deals

None Vul

♠ K J 10 2
♥ K 3
♦ J 8 5 3
♣ J 10 7

♠ 8 3
♥ Q J 9 7 6 4
♦ K 7
♣ 9 6 4

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W		E
	S	

♠ A Q 6 4
♥ 10 8 2
♦ Q 9 2
♣ Q 5 3

6
9 10
15
♠ 9 7 5
♥ A 5
♦ A 10 6 4
♣ A K 8 2

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
	2 ♥	Pass	2 NT
Pass	3 ♣	Pass	3 ♥
Pass	Pass	Pass	

3 ♥ by North

At favorable vulnerability you decided to open 2 ♥.

In reply to partner's Ougust 2 NT you say 3 ♣, showing a minimum hand along with a poor suit. Partner says 3 ♥ and you gratefully pass.

Deal 2North Deals
None Vul

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

11	♠ Q 10 9 2
15	♦ A 3
6	♦ J 8 5 3
8	♣ J 10 7

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



♠ 8 3	♦ K 10 9 7 6 4
♦ K 7	♣ 9 6 4

With four top tricks it is tempting to go straight to 4 ♥.

But you use discretion and bid an Oust 2 NT instead. Partner responds 3 ♣. What do you bid next?

Partner's 3 ♣ bid shows a weak hand and a poor suit. So you reluctantly settle for 3 ♥.

Deal 3South Deals
None Vul

♠ A 7 6 3
 ♥ Q 10 3
 ♦ Q 9
 ♣ J 7 4 3

16
 9 10
 5

♠ J 2
 ♥ A 6 2
 ♦ A 8 5 3
 ♣ A K 8 6

	N		
W		E	
	S		

♠ 9
 ♥ K J 9 7 4
 ♦ K J 10 2
 ♣ Q 10 5

♠ K Q 10 8 5 4
 ♥ 8 5
 ♦ 7 6 4
 ♣ 9 2

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
			2 ♠
Pass	2 NT	Pass	3 ♦
Pass	3 ♠	Pass	Pass
Pass			
3 ♠ by South			

At favorable vulnerability you decided to open 2 ♠.

In reply to partner's Oust 2 NT you say 3 ♦, showing a minimum hand along with a good suit. Partner says 3 ♠ and you pass.

Deal 4
 South Deals
 None Vul

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

N
W E
S

10
8 15
7
♣ K 7 6

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

With three top tricks it is tempting to go straight to 4 ♠.

But you use discretion and bid an Oust 2 NT instead. Partner responds 3 ♥. What do you bid next?

Partner's 3 ♥ bid shows a maximum hand and a poor suit. Your ♠ K should be enough help for the suit, and with three outside Aces you bid 4 ♠.