

**Deal 1**

South Deals

None Vul

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

15  
 10 9  
 6

West

Pass

Pass

Pass

3 ♥ by South

♠ 9 7 5

♥ A 5

♦ A 10 6 4

♣ A K 8 2

N  
 W E  
 S

♠ 8 3

♥ Q J 9 7 6 4

♦ K 7

♣ 9 6 4

North

2 NT

3 ♥

East

Pass

Pass

♠ K J 10 2

♥ K 3

♦ J 8 5 3

♣ J 10 7

South

2 ♥

3 ♣

Pass

At favorable vulnerability you decided to open 2 ♥.

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

**Deal 2**

East Deals

None Vul

♠ Q 10 9 2

♥ A 3

♦ J 8 5 3

♣ J 10 7

15  
8 11  
6

*West*

Pass

Pass

Pass

3 ♥ by South

♠ A 7 5

♥ 8 5

♦ A 10 6 4

♣ A K 8 2



♠ 8 3

♥ K 10 9 7 6 4

♦ K 7

♣ 9 6 4

*North*

2 NT

3 ♥

*East*

Pass

Pass

Pass

*South*

2 ♥

3 ♣

Pass

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

But you use discretion and bid an Ogust 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 3**

South 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

♠ K Q 10 8 5 4

♥ 8 5

♦ 7 6 4

♣ 9 2

♠ 9

♥ K J 9 7 4

♦ K J 10 2

♣ Q 10 5

*West**North**East**South*

Pass

2 NT

Pass

2 ♠

Pass

3 ♠

Pass

3 ♦

Pass

Pass

3 ♠ by South

At favorable vulnerability you decided to open 2 ♠.

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

**Deal 4**

East Deals

None Vul

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

15  
 10 7  
 8

*West*

♠ K 6

♥ A 8 5

♦ A 10 6 4

♣ A 9 8 2



♠ Q J 8 7 5 3

♥ K Q 3

♦ 9 7

♣ 10 4

*North**East**South*

Pass

2 ♠

Pass

2 NT

Pass

3 ♥

Pass

4 ♠

Pass

Pass

Pass

4 ♠ by South

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

But you use discretion and bid an Ogust 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 ♠.