

## Jacoby 2NT

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### In Standard American:

- 1♠      2♠      6-9 with three-card support
- 1♠      3♠      Limit 10-12 with three-card support
  - Is it HCP's or not?
  - Does partner have honours in your short suit?

### The usual strong forcing major raise:

Partner opens 1♠ and you have support (3+ cards) and 13+ HCP's.  
Bid a new suit at the two-level over partner's major and then jump to game.

- 1♠      2♦
- 2♥      4♠      Game Forcing.

Remember:

- Direct jumps to game are usually weak.
- 1♠      4♠      shows: 5 card support
  - 0-8 HCP's
  - singleton (especially when vulnerable and they are not)

### Jacoby 2NT

- 13+ HCP
- Four-card major support
- No singletons or voids (Splinters)

- 1♠      2NT
- 3♦      Singleton or void in diamonds, 12+HCP outside of diamonds

Note: With Axxx or xxx opposite x, 27 points are needed for slam. (mathematical fact)

- 1♠      2NT
- 4♣      A five-card suit that is a source of tricks immediately AKQxx

### Rebids after Jacoby:

By either partner:

- Jumps to game in the major are minimum (12-14)
- A bid of another game, 3NT (not to play ever) (15-17)
- A bid of three of one's major is 18+

Other bids are cuebids showing aces.

You cannot show another suit after responding 2NT  
If you skip a suit, you are missing that ace.

### Example 1:

♠AJ1093 ♥6 ♦AKQ75 ♣54	♠KQ42 ♥A654 ♦J4 ♣AKJ
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	W	E	
12+ 5 spades	1♠	2NT	13+ HCP
strong side diamond suit	4♦	4♥	Ace of hearts
minimum hand, to play		4♠	4NT 0314
two keycards without the Q♠		5♥	5NT We have all the keycards and the Q♠
one king	6♦	7♠	

**Example 2:**

♠AJ1093 ♥6 ♦KQJ75 ♣Q4	♠KQ42 ♥A654 ♦J4 ♣AKJ
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	W	E	
	1♠	2NT	13+
singleton heart		3♥	3♠ 18+ “start cuebidding aces partner”
“no side-suit aces to cuebid, p”		4♠	4NT 0314
one or four keycards	5♦	6♠	to play, missing an ace

**Shortness Points**

Declarer points	3	2	1	(void, singleton, doubleton)
Dummy points	5	3	1	(void, singleton, doubleton)

However, in actual practice, what is a singleton diamond worth in a 4♠ contract? If:

You have 4 trump and partner has:

Axxx	KJxx	QJxxx	QJ10xxx	AKQxx	xxxx	xx	x
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You have 3 trump.

You have 2 trump or fewer

Opponent leads trump.

Opponents lead a small trump from Axx and hold the Ace♦.