

# Double Decker Draft

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Double Decker is a draft format for four players.

## The Draft

1. Seat each player randomly with six boosters each.
2. Players open one booster each, pick two cards from it, and pass the rest to the left, repeat until all the cards in the booster are drafted
3. Repeat with the other five boosters, alternating between passing left and right
4. Players build two 40-card decks from their drafted cards and basic lands

## The Play

1. Players play against the opponent they drafted across from
2. Play a four-game round robin of all possible matchups until one player wins three: A vs. X, B vs. Y, A vs. Y, B vs. X
3. If the result is a 2-2 tie, players choose which of the two opposing decks they play against in the fifth and deciding game (this choice is hidden and revealed simultaneously)
4. Winners play winners and losers play losers in round two

## Notes

- You can devise any tournament structure you'd like for four players with two decks each. The suggestion above operates like a best three-of-five and covers all the matchups, but here are other knobs you have on tournament length:
  - Incorporate best-of-three matches between the decks instead of single-games (sideboard cards belong to one deck or the other, not both)
  - Instead of playing all four matchups and a fifth decider, shorten it to "A vs. X, B vs. Y, choose decks for game three"
  - Optional third round: complete the round robin and play everyone
    - You could skip tiebreaker games in this structure and see if there is a player with the best overall record after the twelve games, then tiebreaker from there as needed
- This format works with any boosters that would work for a normal draft, but if you do a chaos draft, I suggest having players draft their six boosters out of the 24 before drafting the cards in the boosters themselves
- I haven't tried this with Cube yet, but that's next on the list

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