

U.S. Women's Open

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Pebble Beach, California, USA

Pebble Beach Golf Links

Mao Saigo

Quick Quotes

Q. You finished 1-under today. Birdied 18, 2, and 5. Walk me through those birdies and how you felt and kind of what it took to get those down.

MAO SAIGO: First wasn't quite -- I mean, was stable, but after that half nine and getting more (indiscernible), and so I'm getting a bit more comfortable to play, and hopefully I can play better tomorrow.

Q. This is your second U.S. Open. Last year you tied for 44th, and so far in a better position this year. What's your favorite part about playing in a U.S. Open and what do you enjoy about it so much?

MAO SAIGO: I've been dreaming about being able to play in the U.S. Open women's tournament, so it's been wonderful and it's been like my dream come true. Looking forward to playing.

Q. Are there any courses in Japan that are like Pebble Beach?

MAO SAIGO: No.

Q. What makes Pebble Beach so special?

MAO SAIGO: Just because of by the ocean and the winds are strong and very difficult to manage to like play, to be consistency.

Q. And what was the toughest part about playing today? What was the challenge today?

MAO SAIGO: 10th hole was the most difficult.

I believe the 10th hole was very difficult originally, but I had to start from 10th hole. That wasn't quite figured out yet how to play to it, so I think that makes it more difficult for the 10th hole today.

Q. Last question: What was the strongest part of your game today? Driving? Irons? Putting?



MAO SAIGO: Putting was good in the first and after it was iron shot.

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