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Highland Meadows Golf Club

Gaby Lopez

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Q. Happy to be joined by Gaby Lopez. Beautiful 63, bogey-free. What kind of attitude did you bring into today knowing you were chasing?

GABY LOPEZ: I mean, I didn't really bring an attitude. F it was more of really creating a quiet space before hitting the golf ball. You know, committing to that every single shot. It's so easy to get ahead of yourself, especially down the stretch.

But if you keep it in the present, that's when magic happens.

Q. Speaking of down the stretch, birdieing the final three holes. After the birdie at 16 and 17, the 18th hole you had to make that putt from just off the green. What was going through your mind standing over that putt?

GABY LOPEZ: I knew I had to make it because Megan was going to make hers. You know, I thought, I practiced exactly for this moment. I want to be here, and I'm just going to take care of this putt. If that ball rolls over that putt it's going in.

So softly, and staying on the couch, which is a saying that I have with one of my coaches, we got the job done.

Q. Third LPGA Tour win. How does this Sunday compare to previous Sundays and how they set you up for what you experienced today?

GABY LOPEZ: It's been such a completely different Sunday. Honestly, it's going to sound crazy, but today felt more like a Friday round. Having that calmness and having that quiet space was exactly what we been working on.

It has paid off. Honestly, it just gets more simple if I do that.

Q. When you speak about simple, we hear that a lot in golf. What does simple look like for you on the golf course?

GABY LOPEZ: Not overthinking. You know, not making more drama than it is. Because we sometimes like to overreact after a mistake, a missed shot.

So sometimes being able to accept and being able to say, you know what? Okay, it's fine. I'm going to get up and down from there.

So, yeah.

Q. Do you feel like you had moments like that today where maybe it wasn't as smooth sailing, where you got to where you needed those three at the end? Did you have those moments you felt like you had to overcome today?

GABY LOPEZ: For sure. I missed a five, six-footer on 9 and then another six-footer on 11. You start doubting all of a sudden.

My caddie said to me, we just keep doing what we're doing. It's definitely working, and we're going to commit to that the last hole and see what happens.

Q. Congratulations. Any big celebrations for tonight?

GABY LOPEZ: We are having Bolognese pasta at my host family house and I'm really, really excited to celebrate with them because it just feels like I'm part of the family now.

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