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Magnolia Grove

Isi Gabsa

Quick Quotes



Q. Here with Isi Gabsa. Nice little round here today. Obviously know this golf course. Played here last year, correct?

ISI GABSA: Uh-huh, yes, I did. I played here last year. The course plays a little bit different than last year. The greens are not as soft and spinny as last year, so it's a little bit different like length into the greens and approaches into the greens.

But I know where to hit it and where not to hit it, so, yeah, pretty straightforward for me.

Q. Played pretty well today. How did that prior knowledge help you out here and shoot this low number?

ISI GABSA: It's just knowing like the pin positions and where to miss and where not to miss I think what make the big difference for me.

Yeah, like just being smart and give you good putts and that's about it.

Q. What were some of your highlights out there today? Had quite a few birdies on the card. Anything that stood out in particular?

ISI GABSA: I like 17 because I don't really like that hole to begin with, but I hit it to like six feet and I was very happy about that one. I tend to forget my round very quickly.

Q. Not a bad thing.

ISI GABSA: No, most of the times. No, not that I can think of right now.

Q. We can stick with 17. I like that. Obviously you've been in this position a handful of times now. What do you think when you're back here? Is there any of that prior experience that you carry with you that when you come back to Q-Series helps?

ISI GABSA: I think it's like just more being chilled and not freaking out. I think the years before I'd freak out and like just being scared that I could miss it.

Now it's a round of golf. Stuff happens. You make mistakes. I made two mistakes that weren't very smart today and I just kept it cool. I know I have couple birdie chances on the back nine, and I think that helps a lot.

Q. Coming from last week to this week, getting off to a good start this week, does that help your confidence level or change your mindset at all with three rounds left?

ISI GABSA: No. Just trying to keep it like a separate tournament, just like on tour. You have two weeks in a row, two separate tournaments, and just keep on going. I don't really look at scores and stuff like that.

It's so far away anyway because we never have that thing to like play eight rounds in a row, so scores seem weird to me anyway. I'm just trying to keep it as two tournaments.

Q. I know you're obviously back here, but evaluate your season on the LPGA Tour this year and what did you learn about yourself in that process that you carried with you here?

ISI GABSA: I think I had my best, like how do you say -- I didn't play my best golf, but everything around golf was pretty good in place and I felt comfortable out there.

I got like the stomach bug in Cincinnati and couldn't play like two tournaments. That kind of bumped me back. I played the seven weeks in a row what wasn't very smart at the end I guess. But I kind of felt smart in the moment.

No, I mean, I had a good start to the season. Just keep grinding, and like, of course it's not the best thing to be out here again, but I already have a little bit of status through the year, so it's not that -- like completely lose my status if I don't get through here.

Q. Finally, right now you're one of three German players in the Top 5. How cool is that, to have girls



that you probably grew up playing junior golf with and knew from back home or knew of at least, we'll say that? How cool is that to represent Germany in that way?

ISI GABSA: It's awesome. We were talking about maybe a threesome would be pretty good. Just three Germans would be pretty awesome.

I know Polly pretty well. She started practicing where -- like with my roommate, ex-roommate Sophie. We used to live together. So three of us know each other pretty well.

Aline just finished college, so I don't know her that well. But we played practice round yesterday and just talking German and making the jokes, talking about food and what we miss and like I think we talked three holes just about food. (Laughter.) What are we going to eat when we fly back home.

So it was pretty cool.

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