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Pebble Beach Golf Links

Jordan Spieth

Quick Quotes



Q. How would you assess the day?

JORDAN SPIETH: Spyglass is a hard, it's a tough test. Would have liked to have done better on my front nine. That was really gettable.

Then I thought I played the back nine really well. It was really bizarre the last four holes or so with the wind. It went from nothing to flipping and then blowing about 25 out of nowhere the other direction than the forecast. That throws us through a big loop when you're prepping for something and you got to make the adjustment.

But I had a good last three holes and that always kind of puts a smile on your face. I wish I would have shot a few under today. Just a couple early iron shots I hung right. Otherwise it would have been a day like that.

Q. Under par though do you feel like you haven't shot yourself out of the tournament?

JORDAN SPIETH: I don't think so on this golf course. But with where it's forecasted to kind of pick up on Saturday and then Sunday, being on Pebble those days you're really exposed. So that's tough. So it's a little bit of a tall task by the look, but obviously we have no idea what to expect with the forecast. So I know one thing, Monterey's typically the lowest scoring average and I got to try and get back into it tomorrow.

Q. What was the most difficult part when the wind started to pick up and flip?

JORDAN SPIETH: I mean, the problem is you can't start it really far to the sides out here because it's so tree lined. So you got to start it down an alleyway and try and turn it into what's a heavy 15-, 20-mile-an-hour wind. The ball just doesn't spin enough with a driver to do that. So you're almost just kind of hoping that it kind of drops down in the fairway. It didn't do that for me the last two. The wind caught 'em and moved 'em to the right, but I was able to squeak out a couple pars.

Q. Can you just take me through 18 and that second shot and what you saw and what you were hoping for?

JORDAN SPIETH: Didn't know the distance or really the line. I took a gap wedge out. It was going to be fine getting over the tree. Just needed to miss the next ones. The problem was it was straight into the wind and I'm hitting it high and it's out of the rough. So it could be a flier and it may not. The difference if it spins versus a flier, with that shot, with that much wind, is 50 to 60 yards. Like legitimately 50 to 60 yards throwing it up in the air like that. So you're just like, Well I hope I'm right. I had caught a piece of the tree, but I think it still would have been short of the green and came out spinny.

The next two shots were really nice. They will make lunch taste quite a bit better. Squeaking in a 4 there on the last on what was borderline unplayable on 18 as balls started to move on the green as you saw.

Q. What was the conversation you and Michael had on 12 today?

JORDAN SPIETH: Oh, yeah, so that was -- so 11, it was forecasted south all day. 11, it was kind of weird. I thought on the line I hit my tee ball it would carry and it didn't. We get to 12 and it's still north. Where the wind should be down off the left it would be like an 8-iron and hold the breeze. I'm like, I'm going to play the forecasted wind, because that's what it's been all day and that's what it does here. It doesn't flip here.

I hit it in the air and I actually, it was -- I hit some bad irons today, but that was a really good one. I thought I would see it kind of hold the wind and go right at it and it just kept going left. I'm like, Well, I guess it actually did totally flip. So it was -- you're stuck in a tough spot there because you're so elevated it's going to affect the ball significantly. You don't want to hit it right to the right pin. I ended up in a fine spot to get up and down, it was frustrating because I just thought I hit a shot that was going to be close.

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