

DP World Tour Championship

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Dubai, UAE

Jumeirah Golf Estates

Rory McIlroy

Quick Quotes

Q. 68 for a fourth place finish, enough to seal the DP World Tour ranking title. Describe what it means to you to be Europe's No. 1 for a fourth time.

RORY McILROY: It means a lot. It's been seven years since I've last done it. Obviously this is my fourth one but it's been a while. I've won three FedExCups since the last time I won, which was The Race to Dubai back then.

Yeah, it does. It means a lot. This fourth one is definitely, just I was a model of consistency the whole way through the year. A lot of top finishes. I think my worst finish of The European Tour events I played this year was 12th at the start of the year in Abu Dhabi. A really consistent season putting in good performances. Would have been nice to get one win in there at the end of the year here. But Jon obviously played an incredible tournament and fully deserved it.

You know, I'll really proud of my year, and excited for 2023.

Q. You achieved something you had not before by winning the FedExCup and the DP World Tour ranking in the same year, and returned to world No. 1. How proud are you of the body of work you've put together this year?

RORY McILROY: Yeah, very proud of myself. Harry and I were talking going up the last fairway. It seems like it's a long time since San Antonio, the Texas Open the week before Augusta this year when I was sort of struggling a little bit and made a couple of tweaks with my game and with my equipment. Went to a different golf ball. It seemed like just after that, my whole year turned around and got a ton the momentum at the Masters and just went from there.

Q. You were golfer of the decade at the end of 2019 and when I chatted to you at that time you said you thought you could take your game to the next level in the next decade. Do you feel like you're on that journey now, because it looks like you're playing well in all departments?



RORY McILROY: Yeah, I think one of the things I'm really proud of over the last few years is I don't feel I have to rely on one aspect of my game. I think if my driving isn't there, then my putter bails me out. If my putter isn't there, my iron play bails me out. I feel like when you get to this level, it's like, okay, how can you make those incremental improvements to get better, and I think my goal has been to just become a more complete golfer and I feel like I'm on the journey to doing that.

But I definitely -- I'm as complete a golfer as I feel like I've ever been, and hopefully I can continue on that path.

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