

The Ryder Cup

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Jon Rahm

Nicolai Højgaard

Quick Quotes Afternoon Four-balls

Q. Many, many congratulations on an incredible match. You chipped in at 16 to make eagle at the last. How is it possible for you guys to produce these kind of things under this sort of pressure?

JON RAHM: I don't know. I don't know. You know, it's the intention of the moment, right, and then the fact that something happens is truly unique. I've got to give Nicolai props because over here on 18, he gave me the freedom to basically go at it, and he told me to hit a putt, try to make it. And he said, "What would Seve do," right, "do it for Seve." I don't know if he would have quite made it like that, but I'm sure glad that it went in.

Q. Your first experience at Ryder Cup, just describe that experience from your point of view, obviously playing with the world No. 3 in a match that was incredibly thrilling?

NICOLAI HØJGAARD: Yeah, it was a good match out there today. We hung in there on the front nine, played some good golf, Rahmbo took over the last few holes. Yeah, it's pretty cool to share the stage with Rahmbo. He's a great player, great person, and yeah, it's a special week so far.

Q. How I am interprets pressed with your rookie Ryder Cup here, different type of pressure and you've handled it so beautifully?

JON RAHM: We wouldn't have had a chance if it wasn't for him on the front nine. I got that up-and-down on 5, which he might have made it himself and kind of road his back the rest of the front nine, his four birdies, and the chances I had, I didn't really take advantage of.

I mean, he says I took over, but he did his part, right. He made the crucial shots when he needed to and to give us a chance. It's a partnership and he did 50 per cent and I



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tried to do my part on the last 50 per cent.

Q. What's it like to be part of that team room? The atmosphere is incredible, I'm sure?

NICOLAI HØJGAARD: Yeah, it is. I love team golf. I've played it my whole life, and to be part of this, the best golf event, being part of Team Europe, being part of these great players and great guys, it's very special. I can't wait to get out there tomorrow.

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