

# ANA Inspiration

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Rancho Mirage, California, USA

Mission Hills Country Club

## Anna Nordqvist

### Quick Quotes



#### **Q. (Regarding conditions playing later in the day.)**

ANNA NORDQVIST: Well, the course is so good. I don't think I've ever seen it this well. A little bit of cloud cover today kept it from being super hot. The greens are really firm so there are a few pins you can't really attack, and you just hit it in a place where you can take a two-putt or get it up and down.

I didn't really capitalize on the par-5s today, but there are a few holes where you will have wedges in and you can be a little bit more aggressive. Overall I think if you can hit fairways, greens, you're not going to be too far off. I feel like that's what I did today.

#### **Q. The par-5 18th here looking much different than in years past. What are your impressions of the island green?**

ANNA NORDQVIST: With the green being so firm, I mean, even if I were to have hybrid in or -- it's hard (indiscernible), and especially with pin being left today. (Indiscernible) hit a fantastic shot. Just carried between the water and the front edge there.

I laid up with a pitching wedge and it was a little bit of a divot. Just have a wedge in. I think it's a great hole, especially when the pins are back. I feel like it's a really good hole from the back tee, too, because the tee shots are really demanding and the rough gets pretty thick around the fairway from the back tee.

#### **Q. Anna, you shot a bogey-free round today. I would imagine on the course to start a major week has to have a good feeling for you.**

ANNA NORDQVIST: Yeah, I was very happy with today obviously. Felt like I hit a lot of fairways and a lot of greens, and when I did miss it was either in the first cut or on the fringe.

So very solid. Felt my putting was a little bit more solid than the last couple weeks. A lot of good two-putts. Just

not really felt like I was in trouble anywhere. Good bunker shot on hole No. 3, but other than that I felt like I left myself in some good positions.

Some of the greens were really firm so you had to take a little bit longer putt. Overall, I felt like it was very solid.

#### **Q. When you can capitalize and not have any three-putts, I would imagine that's pretty nice. You had birdies at 2, 7, 12, and 14. Any of those particularly stand out?**

ANNA NORDQVIST: No. I mean, I hit a good -- it was probably a 15-footer on 2.

And then I hit a good shot in on 7. It was probably maybe ten feet.

And I hit a good shot in on 12 and 14.

So, yeah, nothing major. Just left myself in good position to make the putt.

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