



Augusta National Women's Amateur

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Maisie Filler

Quick Quotes

Q. How was the walk today?

MAISIE FILLER: It was awesome. It was really special. Got some good yardages, good targets off the tee, getting the speed of the greens down. So it was really good.

Q. How aggressive do you need to be tomorrow?

MAISIE FILLER: I think it definitely depends on where the pin locations are, but there's always a time and a place to be aggressive, but here I don't think you need to get greedy.

Q. What part of your game is ready for the test that you'll face tomorrow to where maybe it wouldn't have been there three years ago or two years ago?

MAISIE FILLER: I think my putting. My putting has gotten a lot better, and it's really good right now, and I think that'll help me on these greens.

Q. Is there anything specific today that you picked up that you feel like, oh, wow, I didn't realize that, that might help you?

MAISIE FILLER: Yeah, I think just having really good targets off the tee. That's definitely important for me. There are some tricky shots out there, but there's also some wider tee shots, so it's important for me to have really solid targets to focus on.

Q. How would you describe the conditions, soft, firm, easy, hard?

MAISIE FILLER: Right in between. I mean, it's pretty perfect. Everything is perfect out here. But probably not as firm as Champions Retreat.

Q. What's your favorite putting drill that you do?

MAISIE FILLER: Chalk line.

Q. You've been doing that for a long time?

MAISIE FILLER: Not too much, but since I started working with Jason Baile, we use the chalk line a lot.

Q. Your sister, is she going to be on the bag tomorrow?

MAISIE FILLER: She is, yep. She's sticking around, which I'm very happy about.

Q. What was it like just experiencing that with her today?

MAISIE FILLER: It was really special, especially when she was inside the ropes with us, too. It's really cool, and I'm really excited for tomorrow. It'll be so much fun. I'm so excited.

Q. Would she have been a player back when she was in college-ish that could have qualified for an event like this?

MAISIE FILLER: Yeah, she was really good. She was someone I always looked up to, and she was a good player.

Q. You have a unique experience where you sleep on it for two nights as opposed to just one. How did you feel last night knowing the final round was still 36 hours away?

MAISIE FILLER: I actually was really excited to have today to take a breather. Yesterday was really tough out there. I was honestly just really happy to get through yesterday successfully because it was just such a battle. I feel more relaxed than I did even the day before the second round.

Q. Is the biggest confidence boost for you (indiscernible) considering who you beat, a lot of players on this leaderboard?

MAISIE FILLER: Yeah, it definitely adds to my confidence, but all my wins have helped my confidence. Every field we're in is just so good, so it's always a confidence boost.

Q. From an approach standpoint, how do you feel like the first couple rounds at Champions Retreat got you ready for an opportunity to play a course like this?

MAISIE FILLER: Yeah, it definitely gave me a lot of confidence. It's a really tough golf course, and it's a true test of golf, and it's definitely a ball-striking golf course there, so knowing that I came out successful there gives me a lot of confidence going into tomorrow.

Q. That first tee shot tomorrow, what do you think you're going to be feeling when you're out there? Is it going to be more nerve-racking than any other tournament you've played in?

MAISIE FILLER: I'll be nervous for sure, but I just have to focus on the right things and not be worried about all the people around and just stay in my bubble, so that's my goal tomorrow.

Q. What do you think is a realistic score that you could go out there and shoot?

MAISIE FILLER: That's a good question. It definitely depends on the conditions and the pins, but ideally even or better is my goal.

Q. Have you been looking at weather.com? Have you mapped out what the weather will be tomorrow and the wind?

MAISIE FILLER: Yeah, I know the wind will be the same as today but a little less.

Q. That's probably exciting?

MAISIE FILLER: Yes, it is very exciting. But I think similar temperature.

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