

## Viktor Hovland

## Quick Quotes Wednesday, April 9, 2025

Q. Viktor, you're one of the purest ball strikers out here at the Masters. I asked the same question to Collin. What do you think your chances are out here with how tight this course plays and how good your iron ability is?

VIKTOR HOVLAND: Certainly helps, even though you can kind of spray it off the tee, but it's very difficult to have good approaches into the greens if you're not hitting it straight.

I certainly feel a lot more comfortable and confident with my game right now. So if I can give myself a lot of even mid-irons, short irons from the fairway into these greens, I think I can make some birdies.

Just make a lot of easy pars. I think that's where this course is at. Try to pick up birdies on the par-5s and make easy pars.

## Q. I know your game is trending up. What do you think about your short game right now?

VIKTOR HOVLAND: I spent the last two weeks working on that. Just the past couple of days, I've been spending a lot of time around the greens and feel a lot more comfortable being able to hit the higher shots, getting it to stop on the green softly, hit the slow bump and runs into the hills.

Some places you just can't hit the high one and spin it, so you have to bump it. So just getting comfortable with all the different shots. Definitely feel a lot better about it.

Q. We've seen a lot of guys take their time out here in every practice group, it seems like. Is there any hole you've kind of spent more time on than any other out here?

VIKTOR HOVLAND: I'm trying to think. Not really. Just kind of on every green you're trying to look at where do you want to leave yourself for certain pin locations, where do you not want to be.

Just making sure you think about how the hole will play different in different winds. All that stuff, hitting a lot of lag putts, big slopes, downhill, uphill. You're kind of just doing the same thing on every hole because every hole is hard.

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