

Hero Dubai Desert Classic

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Dubai, UAE

Majlis Course at Emirates Golf Club

Patrick Reed

Flash Quotes



A Rolex Series Event



Q. First Rolex Series win at this iconic championship in Dubai. Try and describe your emotions for us.

PATRICK REED: Yeah, it hasn't fully sunk in but it's an amazing feeling. I always told myself that I wanted to get a win, not only at this event, but on the DP World Tour. I have technically three wins, one being a major and two WGCs but I wanted to win one out right.

I was so close to winning in 2023, and to have an opportunity today, I'll probably look back as one of those rounds -- I knew it was going to be tough. You have to earn it and play hard.

It's satisfying, obviously, to get the win. I can't wait to take it into next week in Bahrain and go out and play, and hopefully go back-to-back.

Q. Given the conditions, what was the game plan for you?

PATRICK REED: To start the day, I was trying to, obviously, same game plan that I've had the first three days. But yeah, golf is a funny game. I got out here, and decided to try and protect the lead rather than just play normal golf. Because of it, got a lot closer than I wanted it to be, especially that back nine.

David made two great birdies on and 89 to get it to 2, and almost, with that happened, it kind of relaxed me a little bit. Now I'm like, you don't really have a lead to protect. Go out and play golf. I was able to attack the golf course from there, and birdied two of the par 5s there on the back nine early. And I was able to build a pretty good lead just kind of coast the way in.

It's always fun playing late on Sundays out here, especially at an event like this, to go out and have a chance to try and get a win, and to cap it off and get the win here, especially early in the year, anything like that it sets up the year to go out and have a really good year.

Q. You're in Bahrain next week. What will be the

celebrations this evening be like?

PATRICK REED: That's a good question. I haven't really thought about what we're going to do tonight. First thing I have to do, I have to go back and pack because all my stuff is kind of all over the room.

After that, probably go out and grab a bite to eat with my brother-in-law who is my caddie, my cousin who lives here, probably just hang out with the family and decompress and enjoy it for the next couple hours. But once tomorrow gets here, back to work.

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