

LIV Golf Promotions

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Abu Dhabi Golf Club

Kalle Samooja

TV Quotes



Q. Talk about that putt on the 17th. You've burned the edges all day on the putting green, played great this morning, and then that life-changing putt on the 17th. There was a leaderboard next to you. Were you aware that was needed?

KALLE SAMOOJA: No, I didn't want to see the leaderboard coming down the stretch. I kind of knew that -- well, talking with John on 15 that we needed two birdies. He told a good story on 16 that he misses tending flags, like as a caddie you see the ball rolling in.

I said, well, on 16 tend the flag, let's see how it goes because I couldn't really see the hole. Left it a bit short. Then on the 17th, I said, I have a good feeling about this. Go and tend the flag again because I can't really see the hole. Perfect putt.

Same with 18; I said to John, let's make it karma; go and tend the flag. Yeah, one of my best shots today.

Q. I can certainly sense the emotion from you. It's been a tough year, 27 events, you've traveled a bunch. It's been a long year. What does this mean to you playing on the LIV Golf League in 2024?

KALLE SAMOOJA: Well, I'm going to have a little bigger feeling of respect, that's for sure. I can't wait to get home. Wife and three boys waiting at home, so it's been a long year. I miss them a lot.

Q. To add to that, you're the first Finnish player on the LIV Golf League; how proud are you?

KALLE SAMOOJA: Very, very proud. Yeah, it's a big step forward in my career.

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