

The Ryder Cup

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Kohler, Wisconsin, USA

Whistling Straits

Padraig Harrington

Quick Quotes



Sunday Singles Matches

Q. Has this simply just come down to golf?

PÁDRAIG HARRINGTON: I think so. The U.S. were very strong. They got it right, whatever their plan was, they got it right this week, and a strong team, played well. Kept the momentum. And they would have been tough to beat at the best of times, let alone when they are at top form. It's a great win for them.

Q. We all know preparation is key, and you guys prepared as methodically as possible. Was there anything that caught you by surprise, perhaps the quality of play by the Americans?

PÁDRAIG HARRINGTON: No, I can't say we were surprised by it. I think we were as prepared as we could be. It's maybe difficult to come to a golf course that the players haven't played for a few years in that sense, but I think the players knew the course well enough. The U.S. were well-prepared. Good team. Played well.

Q. And finally, I know we talked about this before, but the fans are so important, especially to the European Team. Has that played something of a part in this Ryder Cup?

PÁDRAIG HARRINGTON: It could be quite possible, yes. There's no doubt, the U.S. had the momentum all the time. When they holed a putt, they got a cheer and their fellow teammates heard that, and they seemed to have that the first day.

Every time we holed a putt, it was silence and it was definitely very difficult for us to create any momentum, and we would have needed that to overcome this team.

Q. Is it possible to look back on this with any moments and say that you enjoyed it?

PÁDRAIG HARRINGTON: I enjoyed a lot of moments, there's no doubt about that. Enjoyed a lot with the team.

Certainly very good for me in the back room sense. It was a good team, everybody pulled together and everybody was going in the right direction. It was excellent, I've got to say.

Looking back at that, yeah, there was a lot to enjoy in the back room but obviously you have to get the job done out on the golf course.

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