

The Ryder Cup

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Farmingdale, New York, USA

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Team Europe

Rory McIlroy

Tommy Fleetwood

Quick Quotes

Q. Well, it took a couple extra holes perhaps than you would have liked but another foursomes win for Fleetwood Mac. What is it about this partnership that gels so well in foursomes?

TOMMY FLEETWOOD: It's Rory McIlroy. I can play from a lot of the places where he hits it.

Yeah, we loved getting the chance to play together in Rome. Our games match nicely. Obviously we're very close off the course. Like Rory has already said, our families are so close. I'm just the lucky one that gets to play with him in foursomes and I'll take that, anyway.

Q. You spoke about how hard it is to win in an away Ryder Cup and we've witness what had an away crowd is like, you particularly, how strong do you have to be mentally out here?

RORY McILROY: Yeah, you do. You really just have to focus on the task at hand. I think in the team format, foursomes, four-ball, you can stick together with your partner and it makes it a little bit easier.

And yeah, you know, look, what Tommy just said, the feeling is absolutely mutual. It's an absolute pleasure to play alongside him and we had a great time in Rome and we've been able to back that up with two great wins here. Excited with where our team is and we have to keep the foot down.

Q. Put under a little bit of pressure towards the end of that match, but you put so much pressure on that American Team right from the start, lost the first, kept holing putts and kept firing at flags. That's the key to good foursomes golf, isn't it?

TOMMY FLEETWOOD: We played phenomenally well for 12 of the holes and for the next few holes it was like we



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were always kind of one golf shot away from the match being over. I made a hash of a couple of things.

Yeah, I just think where we put ourselves, obviously it made it very difficult for them, they played great towards the end there. Having that buffer there and that lead helped massively, and then Rory hitting that shot on the last, so that was good.

Q. Playing away from home, atmosphere is always trickier. We were following, we heard you get a bit of stick and at one point you decided to have a little go but it only seemed to fire you up and make you play better?

RORY McILROY: I don't mind them having a go at us. Like that's to be expected. I mean, that's what an away Ryder Cup is. Whenever they are still doing it while you are over the ball and trying to hit your shot, that's the tough thing.

You know, look, in between shots, say whatever you want to me. That's totally fine. But just let us -- you gave us the respect to let us hit shots, and give us the same chance that the Americans have, I guess.

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