### U.S. Open Championship 2021

Thursday, June 17, 2021 San Diego, California, USA Torrey Pines Golf Course

### **Rory McIlroy**

**Quick Quotes** 



#### Q. Tell me a little about your round today.

RORY MCILROY: Yeah, it was good. I got off to a really good start with a birdie at the 1st. I played well, I played solid. I didn't miss a green until the 7th hole and I was able to chip that in, which was a bonus.

But that's the key around here, you can get away with some wayward shots off the tee, and I did today, but I was able to recover well and hit greens. And if you can just keep hitting greens out here that's the name of the game and I did that well.

# Q. A birdie on 18, but also a finishing the round, how important was that for you today?

RORY MCILROY: Yeah, it was really nice. The birdie is awesome. I mean, that putt was pretty, I was sort of like, I think it's straight, I'll hit it straight and we'll see. But, yeah, it was nice to get in, get an extra hour of sleep tonight and it was a bonus to birdie in as well.

# Q. Any adjustments or any different preparations for tomorrow?

RORY MCILROY: Not particularly. Everything felt pretty good. I think as the course gets firmer we're just going to really have to dial in. You might have 170 to a pin, but you're really trying to land it like 160, 162. So just really being aware of how firm the course is getting, just have to really concentrate on that.

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