

ROUND 1 INTERVIEW
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BRANDT SNEDEKER (-5)

Q. Brandt, a 5-under 65 to open the Vivint Houston Open, looks like you're going to be holding a two-shot lead after the first round, if we can just get an opening comment on your round.

BRANDT SNEDEKER: Yeah, obviously very excited about how I played today. Drove it great, so around this golf course you have to be in the fairway, otherwise it's going to be a long day for you. Did a great job of that. Made some putts. And the par 5s, birdied every par 5 out there. This course is a long, tough golf course, so to play well you need to take advantage of the scoring holes, which I did a great job of today.

Q. Did you feel like there was a 65 out there at the beginning of the day?

BRANDT SNEDEKER: No, I didn't. I knew I was putting good, which was a good feeling going into the day. I knew I've been driving it well, so it just kind of depended how I hit my irons and kind of hung in there. Did a great job of kind of thinking my way around the golf course. And you know, it's going to be a long week, this golf course is a big, tough golf course and so I'm excited I got a low one in me, which is good. The lead means nothing right now, we have a lot of golf to go.

Q. What were some of the more difficult holes out there that you could see being an issue later in the week?

BRANDT SNEDEKER: There's quite a few of them really. You start putting your finger on a few of them. The par-3 15th is going to be really tough by the end of the week. We played it up today, but it's just a diabolical green so you have to pay attention to that one. No. 13's another diabolical green, depending on the pin position it can be really tough. Then you have the long holes here, 1's a long, tough par 4. I think you can just go about every par 4 and they're all about over 500 yards if they want to be. The Tour did a good job mixing it up today, moved some tees around so didn't play the full length, which gave us some scoring opportunities. I don't anticipate that being the case the rest of the week.

Q. And just having the fans out here, what's that been like this week?

BRANDT SNEDEKER: Yeah, I think that's a big reason why I played well today. I love having fans out here, I kind of feed off their energy. It's great to hear some claps and people excited for good shots and some birdies. That's a big reason why I think I played well. I was excited to be out there and been missing them, so glad to have them back.