

MEXICO OPEN AT VIDANTA

ROUND 1 INTERVIEW
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STEPHAN JAEGER (-6)

Q. Stephan, off to a good start, 17 of 18 greens, iron play must have been special for you today. Would that be a good summation of your round?

STEPHAN JAEGER: Yeah, it was good, I hit a couple really nice ones not necessarily really close, just for my eye. Kind of kept it in play. Some of the holes, there's only a few par driving holes out here I would say, but I kind of kept it in front of me, made some putts. It definitely could have been lower, I hit some edges there today. I'm never going to complain about 6 under.

Q. Didn't seem like there was much wind, obviously that helped. Harry Higgs said yesterday that you can't get a bad lie out here. Was that pretty accurate?

STEPHAN JAEGER: We were saying I think the range here, just the surface on the range here is probably the best I've ever seen ever anywhere, and the fairways out there are the same. The greens have a little bounce to them, which is nice, they have to. If you don't get a lot of wind, you're going to have some guys shooting low scores. I think if the wind comes up in the afternoon a little bit, it will be a little bit tougher, but in the morning, it's perfect.

Q. You had a top-15 here last year, I think 64 in the third round?

STEPHAN JAEGER: Yeah.

Q. Went low. What did you learn from playing here last year that you continue to put into practice?

STEPHAN JAEGER: I think this golf course requires a lot of shots between about 140 and 200. There's not a lot of wedges out there unless you get some holes downwind or something. That's why I kind of played good today, my iron play was good. I didn't stuff a lot of them, but I hit them on the right sides and made a couple 15-, 20-footers. They're big greens, you've kind of got to put them in the right spots to have a good look and I did that most of the day for sure.

