MEXICO OPEN AT VIDANTA

ROUND 1 INTERVIEW April 27, 2023



JON RAHM (-4)

Q. Jon, how would you assess that round today? Happy to be in with a 4-under 67?

JON RAHM: Yeah, it was good. A 67?

Q. I think it's par 71, isn't it?

JON RAHM: Par 71? No, it's a par 72.

Q. Sixty-eight.

JON RAHM: Come on.

Q. I'm too busy dealing with other stuff.

JON RAHM: It's a good score, I'm happy with the score. Those first 13 holes we had virtually no wind, about as easy conditions as it can get. I wish I would have taken advantage of it more. I did make some good swings early on, I just couldn't quite get the number and judge some lies off the fairway, but that's just things that happen. I'm happy I played as good as I did on the back nine and capped it off with the putt on the last hole.

Q. I was going to say, how nice was it to make that putt on the last?

JON RAHM: It's very nice. It's a difficult hole. It's not the smallest target but you don't really have margin of error. It's into the wind, the wind was starting to pick up, so you have to hit a quality shot to put it on the green and then to make the putt again, like I said. I was rolling it really well all day, so to finish it off that way, obviously it always feels like you're stealing one from the field.

Q. Did you notice any differences in the course from last year when you won here?

JON RAHM: It's a little different. I think the greens are a little bit firmer already than they were early on. If I had to say, I feel like the grain is just a little more grainy this year and it's definitely affecting it more than it did last year so you're just taking that into account. I mean, what am I going to say, the course is in perfect shape, in absolute perfect shape.

