

**ROUND 2 QUICK QUOTES**  
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**CAMILO VILLEGAS (-12)**

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**Q. Camilo, 8-under 63, you've got to be super happy to be in with that score today. It was a little trickier this afternoon, right?**

**CAMILO VILLEGAS:** Yeah, the wind was consistent, which was good. Pretty much same direction the whole day, maybe switching a little bit there west-southwest to southwest. But yeah, this golf course is better when there's a little bit of wind.

I got off to a great start today birdieing the first two. A couple missed putts on 5 and then I missed 9, 10, 11, hit a bad shot, but you know what, I saved pars on those holes. Other than that, I just rolled some good putts coming in.

**Q. Bogey free, just we were watching that shot on TV on the last hole, that tricky little pitch shot. How tricky was that with that lie?**

**CAMILO VILLEGAS:** It was, it was. I had -- on a scale of 1 to 10, I maybe had a 6, 7 on the lie. It wasn't really that -- I had room behind the ball. But I had to make a decision, do I bump it into the fringe or do I fly it, use the wind a little bit to stop it. It rolled a little bit more than I wanted, but made a good putt there to go bogey free and a solid day.

**Q. This is your 12th start this season, runnerup in Mexico last week, but before that you made three cuts out of those starts. Here, one of them.**

**CAMILO VILLEGAS:** Yeah.

**Q. Puerto Rico and Punta Cana. Lots of similarities there. They're all on islands, right?**

**CAMILO VILLEGAS:** I don't know, I don't know. Is Cabo on an island? Well, Maybe. Not really, but yeah.

No, nothing with that. I mean, it hasn't been a great year, to be honest from a performance point of view. It's been a great year from a kind of, kind of reshaping, retooling, overhauling, whatever you want to call it.

**Q. Is that the result like that you're seeing now, is that what --**

**CAMILO VILLEGAS:** Yeah, yeah, I feel more comfortable. I started working with Jose Campra from Argentina maybe February. He was very honest with me, he said, I need a year. I was like, wow, man, I've got to play. He said, I don't care what kind of status you have



at the end of the year, we're going to grind and hopefully golf becomes a little bit easier than it's been the last few years.

Yeah, it's been a grind.

**Q. How exciting is it for you to see the fruits of that labor come to fruition like last weekend?**

**CAMILO VILLEGAS:** Yeah, last week was great. I kept the ball in play, I hit the irons really good, the putter was hot and very importantly, too, I've been doing some work on the mental side with a guy from Chile, Carlo Genio, I was surprisingly a lot better than I thought being in contention. I thought I was going to be at the worst scared, to be honest, because it gets a little scary up there. But I felt really comfortable, I enjoyed every second and I guess we put ourself in a little position here for the weekend so hopefully we can keep the good vibes.

**Q. Was it scary because you haven't been there for a while? You've done it before, but it's just been a long time?**

**CAMILO VILLEGAS:** Let me be honest, let's tell the viewer out there, people think that we just kind of chill out here and we're very comfortable doing what we're doing, but there's a lot of demons out here and when you've been doing it for a long time, golf is hard.

Everybody feels fear at some point playing golf, playing competitive golf, playing against the best players in the world. It's about looking forward to feeling that not fear, kind of reshaping that fear into something a little bit, just lowering the curve and just managing it. To be honest, there was none of that last week, which I was surprised, so let's keep it going.

**Q. So you feel comfortable channeling that into the weekend given that you'll be in contention?**

**CAMILO VILLEGAS:** Yeah. Again, two good rounds to get started, same as last week, two good rounds to get started and we're only halfway there, but we'll keep playing.

