

Round 1 Interview: **MATT KUCHAR (-3)**
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Q. Decent start, mate. You must be pretty pleased with that effort.

MATT KUCHAR: I am. It's a tricky golf course, and to come out 3-under par is a very good score. I played a lot of good golf. I felt like I didn't miss many shots, I was never really in trouble. To finish 3 under's a nice start to the tournament.

Q. You have a little bit of history in this area. Did you play that America's Cup or something here? Does that help at all?

MATT KUCHAR: I did. Whether or not it helped, hard to say. The course is one of the tightest golf courses I've ever played. Doing all the configuration of the altitude adjustments, it's something that I wouldn't say I'm an expert at by any means. It's still a learning curve. Still I think everybody's in the same boat figuring out just how much to play for.

Q. I think there was a little bit of concern because of the altitude, just how far you were playing the ball. (Inaudible.) The players, do you have that impression?

MATT KUCHAR: It helps anytime you can hit the ball further. I think it definitely plays easier. If it was at sea level, I think it would be a harder test of golf. Certainly we're doing the adjustments, but after two, three practice rounds, I think guys are pretty good at figuring out the adjustments. I think you'll still see a couple guys misfire a time or two, but if I can hit a pitching wedge in instead of an 8-iron, I'm going to do better, I'm going to score better for sure.