

East Lake Cup Women – Stroke Play
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Q. Congratulations, you finished 7 under today, correct? What did you -- how did you prepare for a course like East Lake?

JASMINE KOO: We did a lot of -- we did a lot of preparation for this, kind of just like the strategy coming into this. I think my shots on the front nine were really good that I was almost like, I was just pin hunting, you know. It was really fun. The back nine, my putts, I was reading them really well, so a lot of putts went in. Just thankful for every shot.

Q. You mentioned pin hunting. What's something you can do tonight to make sure that tomorrow you come out and go the same way, hit the same pins?

JASMINE KOO: It's never a guarantee that you will have the same shots or have the same swing tomorrow. I think today what I'm going to try to do is get good rest and recover, focus on recovering. Try to have the same mental game coming into tomorrow.

Q. What changes going into match play?

JASMINE KOO: Try and stay in position more. I think some of the lines I took today were a little aggressive and I think that tomorrow, it really just depends on what my opponent does, too. There's strategy involved with that. It's the same mindset as in like what's the strategy, what's the line off this tee, yeah.

Q. Is there a drive with this being the end of fall season to sort of put an exclamation mark on the season both for yourself and the team?

JASMINE KOO: Um-hmm, I think there's that. There's also this tournament is so prestigious and so big in name, I think if we were able to come out on top in this tournament that would be huge for our program.

Q. Did Coach Silverstein -- excuse me if I got it wrong, Head Coach Justin, did he say anything today that really got you fired up before your round?

JASMINE KOO: My round. No, but our sports psychologist Kevin, actually today he said small targets and small misses. He was like that's a good mentality to come into this course. I was like yeah, I like that.

Q. That should be on a T-shirt.



JASMINE KOO: Yeah.

Q. Does the sports psychologist travel with the team?

JASMINE KOO: For some tournaments, yes, he does.

Q. You mentioned mentality. Obviously, as you said, there's sort of a different strategy in match play. Is there any sort of difference in your mentality playing for yourself? Obviously today affects seeding, but is there any difference in playing for yourself versus playing for the team tomorrow and Wednesday?

JASMINE KOO: It's weird because golf is an individual sport, but we're playing as a team. I think it is different, but we're still going against one person. Then the mentality is that how do I play the best golf that I can play because ultimately that does help the team out the most.

