

**PRE-TOURNAMENT INTERVIEW**  
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**BERNHARD LANGER**

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**Q. Welcome back. You've won this three times now. Can you just talk about what you like about the course and how you've had success here?**

**BERNHARD LANGER:** Yeah, I've won the first one on a different golf course, but the other two were here. I played this course once or twice during the PGA TOUR stint that I had over here over the years. Always loved the golf course. It's generally somewhat windy this time of the year. It's a golf course where a lot of water comes into play and it plays a lot harder than it looks. The greens are usually fast, which is something I enjoy. Yeah, I've had some good success in this tournament.

**Q. You're looking to claim a title this year. How do you do that here?**

**BERNHARD LANGER:** Well, I have to play very, very good from front to start, start to finish, and I have to play well with all the clubs in the bag. It's that kind of golf course. You've got to drive it straight, hit some good irons, and definitely make some putts because the greens are generally nice. That's the only way to win. To be better than the others, you've got to -- you can't make double bogeys and bogeys. You've got to bring your A game, and sometimes that's not good enough because somebody else might bring their A game and they're one shot better or two.

**Q. Is there a favorite hole or a hardest hole or anything like that that the course kind of scares you or you're ready for?**

**BERNHARD LANGER:** Well, there's several holes like that, actually. I think it's No. 14 is a very tough par 3 over water in a smallish green, tough green. Then you have good finishing holes with 17, 18, both water in play. One is a little shorter but not necessarily much easier. And 18 is a pretty lengthy par 4 with wind and water all along the right side and short of the green.

**Q. What do you think about Houston, how's this heat? Do you have good food places down here? What's your favorite vibe about this?**

**BERNHARD LANGER:** Yeah, I like coming here. I have a good friend of mine who I'm staying with. Always enjoyed being here at The Woodlands. It's a very well-run tournament, some good restaurants, and great practice facilities and staying with friends is that much more enjoyable than hotels.