

Moderator: [00:00:00] Carlota, first of all, what does this Solheim Cup mean for women's golf in general and especially for women's golf in Spain?

Carlota Ciganda: [00:00:26] I think it is something incredible that the Solheim Cup is played here at Finca Cortesín in Spain. Alicia, Íñigo, Marta Figueras, the European Tour, all the people who have made this possible, I think it's incredible, because the truth is that until you get here, you don't realize the tournament, everything it entails, all the tents, everything that goes. I think it is something incredible, very beautiful and good. I hope it will be a great week for Europe and the truth is that I am very happy to be here and looking forward to Friday.

Moderator, Borja ML: [00:01:07] Well, the week started with the PING Junior Solheim Cup, we have seen that it has been a great victory for the European team. We wanted to know if you have mentioned it and if that has been an extra motivation.

Carlota Ciganda: [00:01:17] Yes, I was there. I was following her because I saw that there were four Spanish women and the truth is that I always try to follow them. I have seen that they have won very easily. The truth is that I was very happy. I think it is a very good start, it is always good that they win and that they pass that energy on to the majors.

Moderator, Borja ML: [00:01:37] Then finally, how are you inside? How have these feelings been in your last two weeks and what feelings do you have when it could be the only time you win the Solheim and win it in Spain?

Carlota Ciganda: [00:01:50] Well, very happy. The truth is that it is wonderful to be able to be here in Spain. What I said before, the food, the hotel, the people, listening to Spanish, I love it. The truth is that I am happy here at home and it would be incredible to win this Solheim in Spain with my people, with my family... It would be a dream. And well, let's try, we have a great team and hopefully on Sunday, we can win it and celebrate.



Speaker3: [00:02:27] Hello Carlota. You have talked about the evolution of Solheim and the European team. Do you say it is the year with a more solid team? I would love for you to tell us, from that evolution of Carlota as a golfer since 2013, your first Solheim. Now, how would you define yourself, how have you grown and the difference in all these years, now as a player?

Carlota Ciganda: [00:02:50] Yes, well in 2013 he had been on the European Tour for a couple of years, so I think he was a rookie, obviously, and there I think that the team above all had that desire, that energy that it never ends, that you can do whatever that week, whatever it takes. And as a player, I believe that right now I have more experience. In the end, as the years go by as a golfer, I think you learn golf, you learn every day you play, every week I think is never enough and I think you can improve every day. So, I think the difference is that I have more experience, in the field I can be a little calmer, control my emotions better. In the end there are weeks of a lot of adrenaline, a lot of tension and I think that controlling that can help you a little. When you play against those that are the first year.

Speaker4: [00:04:01] An analysis can be made that the European team is in a great moment. What happened in the last Solheim, the great team you have, it seems to some of us that the danger could be precisely that, right? Euphoria, right? I would like to ask you how you are working in that sense within the locker room. If you, for example, already see that the captain's messages go in the direction of saying hey, hey, that this, that we have to win the points, that this is not going to be won alone and that we have a very powerful.

Carlota Ciganda: [00:04:37] Yes, I mean, I think that in the end the team is good, it is the ranking and it is what it is. I believe that this cannot be avoided, it is what it is, but then we know that obviously to win each one has to do their own thing, their preparation. And I think that this year the team we have is all very focused and we know what we have to do to get to Friday well. So, I mean, yes we are looking forward



to it, but knowing that the American team is very good as always, they have very good players, it is a young team and in the end we all know each other, we all play in the LPGA and I think that it will be a very even Solheim in terms of results. Many will come to the matches; I think that in the last holes I think that everything will be very close.

Speaker5: [00:05:28] The European team has much more experience in participations in Solheims won in points. The American team is newer in that sense. Here experience is important. You who have already been in six participations, at the end your pulse and your nerve can tremble, even if you are a player who hits very hard and is very solidly good.

Carlota Ciganda: [00:05:50] Yes. I mean, I think that experience always helps, but it is true that the Americans also have, I think, five rookies and two of them have won three Grands. So, I think that if you have won the Majors you are prepared to play any week. And I think that the rookies of now are not like the rookies of ten years ago. I think they are better prepared, the coaches know more about technology, so do they and I think that is why they actually start playing and win. As soon as you have Lilia who has won two majors, Allisen Corpuz who won at Pebble Beach. In other words, they are players who will be their first Solheim but who have had very good or very average years and what I'm telling you, it is a very very even Solheim, there is a lot of level and. And I hope we can win it.

Speaker6: [00:06:53] Carlota, a question about Celine Boutier. What is your opinion of her season this year?

Carlota Ciganda: [00:07:01] Well Celine, spectacular. She has had a great year, obviously with the Major, won in Evian in his country, then the Scottish Open. I think that winning two weeks in a row is very difficult because in the end when you win a week you can relax a little and the truth is that she doesn't relax, I think she is very solid. From tee to green she fails very little, I think this course could be very good for her because she is very good with the wind and then when putting, she is a machine,



she is a very complete player. And the results? Well, I think they say it all, very, very consistent.

Moderator, [00:07:41] Carlota, we have been waiting a long time for this moment to arrive, for Solheim to arrive in Spain. I imagine that you have imagined what Solheim is going to be like in Spain, how people are going to respond, how the public is going to respond? I would like to know, Tuesday and Wednesday, that you have already had two rounds of training. What has the public's response been like, if it was more or less what you expected, if you expected more or less, and in comparison, to other Solheims, how is the atmosphere?

Carlota Ciganda: [00:08:08] We have had an audience every day. It is true that the course is not the best for spectators because of the way the terrain is and because of the slopes it has and a little because there is no rough. So, it is difficult for people to go, for there to be a lot of people on certain holes, but I think everything is being very positive. You see people, the weather is good. The field is spectacular and I hope that the first stand is full every day and they make a lot of noise and support us.

Speaker7: [00:08:50] Hello Carlota. Wondering about veteranism again. You are one of the veterans in the locker room. Do you have a special role in the older ones? It's the second one. This is the 6th participation. And on the field, the hardness of the field. Can they affect anything? You have talked about the hardness of Finca Cortesín.

Carlota Ciganda: [00:09:26] Does it seem like it? Yes, well, in the end Anna is the one who has played the most and then there is me. But what I'm telling you, those who don't have so many Solheims are up there, they have a lot of experience, they have been playing well for several years and in the end you are talking about players who are in the top 15 or top 20 in the world. Charley wears like me. Leona is a phenomenon, Celine, there are many that you say, maybe I haven't played many, but they are very consistent and I think they know what they are doing. In the end it is true that it is a field that is complicated because of how hard it is to navigate. Is it true that



the captain has asked you how many matches you want to play, how many days you want to rest for an afternoon or what? What would you like? And you can be very honest a little bit. I think that in the end we are going to try to make the rookies comfortable, ask them what they need. That we are there to help them. But what I tell you. Linn Grant is a rookie and has won in the LPGA. He has had a spectacular year. Maja more of the same, very solid, she is a very good player. So, I think they are rookies who are very prepared and don't need much from us, but we are there for whatever they need and if we can help, fine, but no, I don't think so, no. They are very well prepared.

Speaker8: [00:11:02] Hello, Carlota. Two questions. A. We have seen in the Junior that the type of narrow mountainous field has worked in favor of Europe. The Finca Cortesín field is a bit similar. And also, the wind can blow. Would that benefit Europe?

Carlota Ciganda: [00:11:24] Well, I believe what I said before. I think the teams are both very similar. Both. They are two high-level teams, with very solid players. The Americans have many who hit very straight, who don't miss much. Europe too. I think that in the end the course, the fact that the greens are a little slower than what we play in the United States, I think it could benefit us a little, but I think the course is good for both teams.

Speaker8: [00:11:55] Another question now that the whole team is together, do you miss any player or do you think it is perfect the way they have chosen?

Carlota Ciganda: [00:12:04] Well, I would have liked some more Spanish people to have been there. The truth is that I do miss Azahara and I am sad that she is not here. Especially being here in Spain, in Andalusia, which is his home. But in the end, that's good, they are the captain's decisions, it is her team and we have to respect it. And then with Melissa I also get along very well, I have played several times and I am also very comfortable and I do miss her.



Speaker4: [00:12:36] Give us a hard time even if you don't tell us anything, but the couples are 90% done. You each already know who you are going to play with more or less, or if you more or less know it already.

Carlota Ciganda: [00:12:48] Yes, the captain has been very clear from the first day and she has told us a little about her idea of who is going to play with whom, who is going to play in the foursomes. and yes, we know a lot.

Speaker4: [00:13:00] Some, some progress.

Carlota Ciganda: [00:13:01] They have told us that no, that this does not leave the team room, so I can't say much, but I do know that each person knows what they have to do each day and who they are going with. to play. Can I give you a clue? I'm going to play with a Swedish woman. There are a few. So almost half of the team.

Speaker6: [00:13:24] Carlota, two questions to the first, have you had a message from Sergio García, José María Olazábal or Jon Rahm with Congratulations. And second question, you give your support to the women's soccer team and Jenni Hermoso in what refers, of course, to what has happened.

Carlota Ciganda: [00:13:57] I did meet Olazábal not long ago on a flight. And yes, yes, I was talking to him and I know he is very happy. Chema, the truth is, he is a great friend of San Sebastián. I agree with him a lot. The truth is that there is no better person than him and I know that he is very happy to be here and so is Sergio. And with Rahm I don't have as much contact, but obviously I know that he is very happy and I'm sure he is now preparing the Ryder for Rome next week and I wish them the best. The truth is that we get along very well among the Spanish people and there is good vibes there and the truth is that they always support us a lot. And the second was.

Speaker6: [00:14:44] Which refers to the Spanish soccer team. If you assume your support for the players in what happened between Jenni Hermoso and Luis Rubiales.



Carlota Ciganda: [00:14:55] I think it was a shame what happened in the end, when Spain won the World Championship, I think we should celebrate that World Championship, because in the end that is not going to happen many times. times. And well, I think that the President is obviously wrong, he doesn't have to act like that, especially in such a public event, when you are in front of everyone and obviously of course I support the players and when so many people agree, obviously Things have happened that we may not know. But I think the important thing is to celebrate that world championship, which is what everyone should be very proud of the country we have and the great athletes there are.

Speaker7: [00:15:49] Now, even if it is a training day on 16, you have connected with the second from 164 metres, even if it is training. What a feeling, what joy it could have given you!

Carlota Ciganda: [00:16:05] We were playing a match and the truth is, well, I wanted to hit the green in the back, and I had a little bit of luck. I had 164 with a headwind, I hit a four iron, it came out to the flag and it went in. A little bit of luck, but yes, it was a great shot and let's see if that happens from Friday to Sunday.

Carlota Ciganda: [00:16:44] Vamos, Girls!!!!