

INKATERRA SIGHTING

Date: Wednesday, February 02, 2011

Place: Inkaterra Reserva Amazónica

Time: 8:30pm

The Services Committee (Sandra Masías, Claudia León, Gina Balestrini and Luz Claros – accompanied by Camila and Paola, Sandra's daughters) was notified that a Shushupe (*Lachesis muta*) was seen by one of the interpreters who was guiding a group of travelers on a Night Walk along the Amazónica Garden the night before.

Being this a once in a lifetime and very unusual sighting (due to the danger a snake can be and the strange fact of seeing one) the committee decided to look for it accompanied by Alejandro Montoya, our Resident Manager, and Erick Arguedas, our Interpreters' Head.

To our surprise we found the snake laying on the ground, 100 mts. from the Amazónica Garden gate, it was twisted around the vegetation and paying attention to everything around it. The Shushupe was 2.5 mts. long and was very alert, sticking its tongue out very often to try the "air" and "feel" what was around it.

A real and unforgettable experience!

