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Recently discovered at the [Inkaterra Machu Picchu Pueblo Hotel](#), an orchid species from the genus Epidendrum has been described as new to science by biologist Eric Hágsater (Herbario AMO, Mexico) and Carmen Soto (Inkaterra Asociación).

With the full name Epidendrum guislainae, it is the 21st orchid species discovered at Inkaterra Machu Picchu Pueblo Hotel and is one of more than 350 species that are part of the world's largest native orchid collection, according to the American Orchid Society. The newly discovered orchid was named after Denise Guislain, the award-winning chief of architecture and interior design at Inkaterra.

Inkaterra's dedication to biology and conservation dates to 1976 when Inkaterra founder & CEO José Koechlin acquired ten hectares in Machu Picchu Pueblo facing the Vilcanota River. Originally used as a sawmill, with pasture ravaged by cattle and a tea plantation, Inkaterra started restoring the damaged land in 1980 aiming to repair the ecosystem, including recovery of a proper habitat for the Andean cock-of-the-rock, considered Peru's national bird. Since

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then, Inkaterra has registered 214 bird species, 111 butterfly species and 373 orchid species – with two dozen different species of fauna and flora – all within the grounds of the Inkaterra Machu Picchu Pueblo Hotel.

In 2001, Inkaterra founded the Andean Bear Conservation Center. Since the Andean bear is threatened and considered an umbrella species in different ecosystems in South America, the center rehabilitates bears found in inadequate captivity conditions, such as circuses and zoos. So far, five bears have been rescued, with four currently being rehabilitated and one successfully returned to the wild.

For more information on Inkaterra Asociación's conservation efforts, please visit:

<https://www.inkaterra.com/inkaterra-asociacion-org/en/>

For more information on Inkaterra Machu Picchu Pueblo Hotel, please visit:

<https://www.inkaterra.com/inkaterra/inkaterra-machu-picchu-pueblo-hotel/the-experience/>

### About Inkaterra

Inkaterra is a Peruvian organization with 43 years of experience in sustainable tourism initiatives. It focuses on preserving and rescuing Peru's geography, nature, customs and cultures and sharing them with the world. Since 2011 Inkaterra holds the Rainforest Alliance Verification in Sustainable Tourism, the Relais & Châteaux 2013 Environment Trophy, the 2012 Tourism for Tomorrow Award for Conservation, and the 2012 Green Choice Sustainable Tourism Award. The company currently operates Inkaterra Reserva Amazónica, Inkaterra Hacienda Concepción and Inkaterra Guides Field Station in the Amazon of Southern Peru, Inkaterra Machu Picchu Pueblo Hotel in the cloud forest of Machu Picchu, Inkaterra Hacienda Urubamba in the Sacred Valley of the Incas, [Inkaterra La Casona](#) in Cusco, and El MaPi in Machu Picchu Pueblo under the more affordable brand 'byInkaterra.' Inkaterra has an alliance with the NGO Inkaterra Asociación (ITA), through which the company's profits are invested in research, conservation, educational and social development programs. For more information, visit [www.inkaterra.com](http://www.inkaterra.com)



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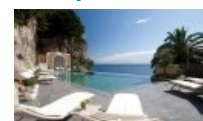


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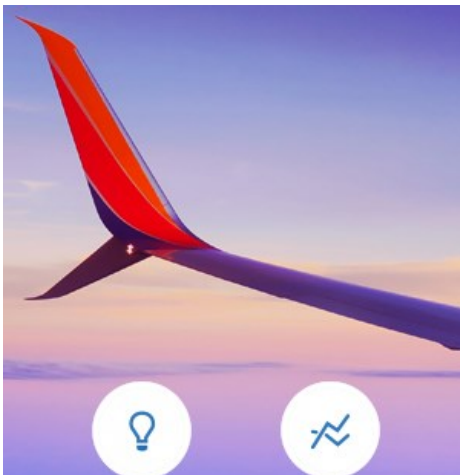
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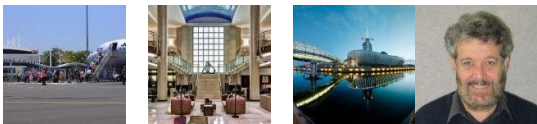


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