



Google Earth tips

1. Google Earth has a user guide that can help you familiarize yourself with the software, here is the link: http://earth.google.com/intl/en_uk/userguide/v5/
2. You can change the language by following these steps:
 - a. Click Toolsà Options. Then click the general tab
 - b. Under language settings, choose the appropriate language for you
3. At the bottom left of the screen you have the option *layers*. Layers can display a variety of interesting content, some of which comes by default when you download Google Earth. To view a layer, tick the layer or layer folder by clicking once in the layers panel. Some layer content does not appear until you zoom into an area. Double click on a layer and Google Earth will take you to the first content of that layer.

To hide a layer or layer folder, un tick it.

To expand or collapse a layer folder, click once on + or –

To open the Google Earth layer for IUCN Members please click this link:

http://intranet.iucn.org/MembersLayer/IUCN_Members.kml

N.B. You *must* have Google Earth installed in order to view the content in this link. It will not open in Internet Explorer or any other browser.

When you exit Google Earth after having opened the IUCN Members' layer the first time it will ask you if you would like to save the Temporary Places into My Places. Click Yes! That way you will have access to the link called IUCN Members every time you open Google Earth

will appear in the middle of the left menu of the screen. As you type, the name of the Member will appear in light gray. If you double click on it, the info will appear and you will be automatically directed to the Member's location in a zooming motion. You may have to try this feature several times to get the hang of how to best find an IUCN Member. Use unique words in their name (e.g. if you type 'zoo' all organizations starting with Zoo will appear and it may be tricky to find the one you are looking for).

6. As soon as you search for Members the layer will expand. At times it may become tricky to scroll up and down over a thousand members. A tip is to collapse the layer by clicking on the – minus sign beside the link.
7. Sometimes there are several

9. You can create your own layer of IUCN Members (e.g. if you are only interested in a few Members at a time) in My Places by dragging and dropping IUCN Members into My Places and then clicking on the IUCN Members icon in the top right corner of the My Places window.