

Mars helicopter ends landmark journey

NASA's Ingenuity, the first vehicle to achieve a powered flight on another world, has ended its \$85m mission that exceeded all expectations

During lifespan of three years, Ingenuity flew 14 times further than originally planned, logging more than two hours of flight time and covering distance of 17km on 72 flights

INGENUITY



Jezero Crater

MARS

Jan 18, 2024: Ingenuity ends mission after damage to rotor blade

Perseverance last position

ANCIENT DELTA

Belva Crater

1km

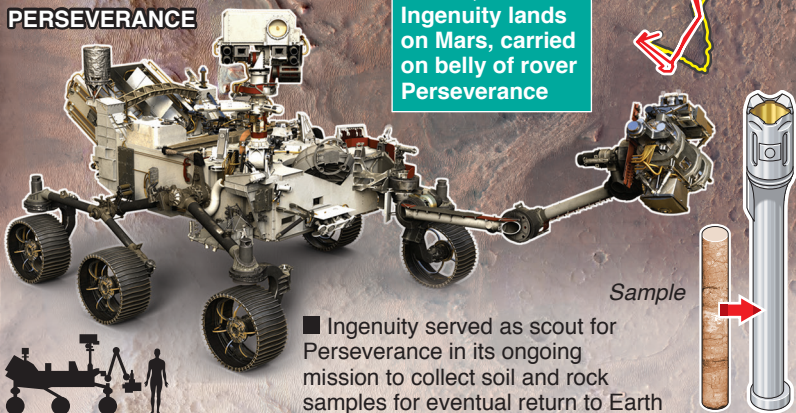
0.6 miles

JEZERO CRATER

— Ingenuity flight path
— Perseverance drive path

Feb 18, 2021: Ingenuity lands on Mars, carried on belly of rover Perseverance

PERSEVERANCE



■ Ingenuity served as scout for Perseverance in its ongoing mission to collect soil and rock samples for eventual return to Earth