

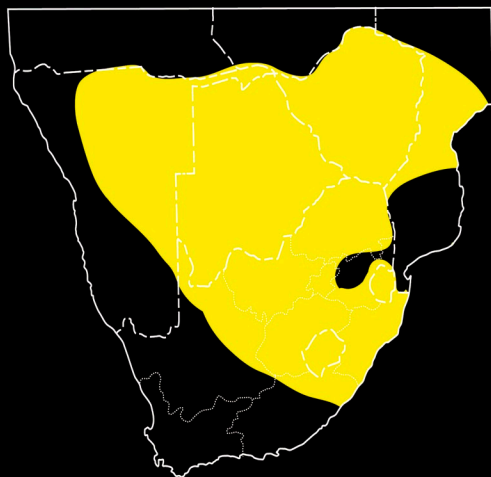


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## Peters' Thread Snake (*Leptotyphlops scutifrons*)

Maximum Length:  
20 cm



Other names:

Peter se Wurmslang

A very small thin snake with highly polished scales averaging around 20 cm. The Thread snakes resemble worms and can be difficult to distinguish the head from the tail. They are burrowing snakes with cylindrical bodies and minute eyes. They feed on invertebrates, especially termites. The Thread snakes spend most of their lives underground, but may come to the surface after heavy rains. They are sometimes found under rocks and old logs or in termite mounds. The Thread snakes are tricky to tell apart and multiple species occur. They can also be confused with the venomous Stiletto snake. The Peter's Thread snake is harmless to humans.



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