

COMMON SNAKES OF KLASERIE NATURE RESERVE



Klaserie Nature Reserve has around sixty-eight different types of snakes. Six species are highly venomous, while six others can inflict a rather painful bites. Twenty species are considered mildly venomous. Thirty-six species are harmless.

HIGHLY VENOMOUS	VENOMOUS	MILDLY VENOMOUS	HARMLESS
Has caused human fatalities	Painful bite, but does not require antivenom	Not thought to be harmful	Not dangerous to humans



Black Mamba
(*Dendroaspis polylepis*)



Puff Adder
(*Bitis arietans*)



Boomslang - male
(*Dispholidus typus*)



Boomslang - female
(*Dispholidus typus*)



Southern Vine Snake
(*Thelotornis capensis*)



Snouted Cobra
(*Naja annulifera*)



Mozambique Spitting Cobra
(*Naja mossambica*)



Intermediate Shield-nose Snake
(*Aspidelaps scutatus intermedius*)



Bibron's Stiletto Snake
(*Atractaspis bibronii*)



Snouted Night Adder
(*Causus defilippi*)



Herald Snake
(*Crotaphopeltis hotamboeia*)



Southern African Python
(*Python natalensis*)



Olive Grass Snake
(*Psammophis mossambicus*)



Western Yellow-bellied Sand Snake
(*Psammophis subtaeniatus*)



Striped Skaapsteker
(*Psammophylax triaeniatus*)



Reticulated Centipede-eater
(*Aparallactax lunulatus*)



Common Egg-eater
(*Dasypeltis scabra*)



Spotted Bush Snake
(*Philothamnus semivariatus*) - photo Luke Kemp



Brown House Snake
(*Boaedon capensis*) - photo Luke Kemp



Schlegel's Blind Snake
(*Afrotrophops schlegelii*)

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