

# COMMON SNAKES OF DE MOND NATURE RESERVE



**HIGHLY VENOMOUS**

Has caused human fatalities

**VENOMOUS**

Painful bite, but does not require antivenom

**MILDLY VENOMOUS**

Not thought to be harmful to humans

**HARMLESS**

Not dangerous to humans



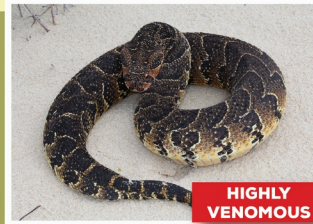
**HIGHLY VENOMOUS**

Cape Cobra  
(*Naja nivea*)



**HIGHLY VENOMOUS**

Boomslang - male  
(*Dispholidus typus*)



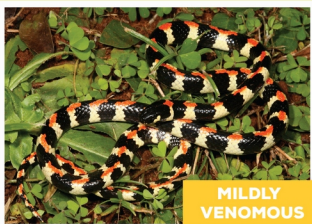
**HIGHLY VENOMOUS**

Puff Adder  
(*Bitis arietans*)



**VENOMOUS**

Southern Adder  
(*Bitis armata*)



**MILDLY VENOMOUS**

Spotted Harlequin Snake  
(*Homoroselaps lacteus*)



**CAN INFLICT A PAINFUL BITE**

Mole Snake  
(*Pseudaspis cana*)



**MILDLY VENOMOUS**

Herald Snake  
(*Crotaphopeltis hotamboeia*)



**MILDLY VENOMOUS**

Spotted Skaapsteker  
(*Psammophylax rhombeatus*)



**HARMLESS**

Olive Snake  
(*Lycodonomorphus inornatus*)



**HARMLESS**

Brown Water Snake  
(*Lycodonomorphus rufulus*)



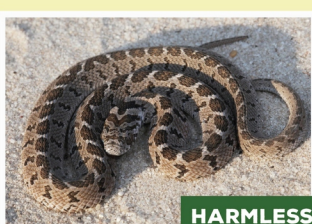
**HARMLESS**

Common Wolf Snake  
(*Lycophidion capense*)



**MILDLY VENOMOUS**

Cross-marked Grass Snake  
(*Psammophis crucifer*)



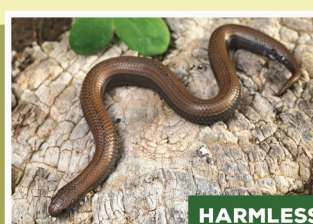
**HARMLESS**

Rhombic Egg-eater  
(*Dasypeltis scabra*)



**HARMLESS**

Sundevall's Shovel-snout  
(*Prosymna sundevalli*)



**HARMLESS**

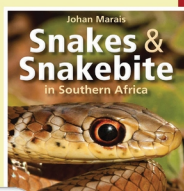
Common Slug-eater  
(*Duberria lutrix*) - photo Luke Kemp



**HARMLESS**

Delalande's Beaked Blind Snake  
(*Rhinotyphlops lalandei*) - photo Luke Kemp

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## EMERGENCY PROTOCOL

### IN THE EVENT OF A SNAKE BITE

- 1 Keep the victim calm, immobilized and transport the victim to the closest hospital **without delay**.
- 2 If the victim stops breathing, resort to artificial respiration or make use of a Bag Valve Mask.
- 3 Call the Poison Information Centre help-line for further advice: 0861 555 777.

### DO NOT

- ... apply a tourniquet.
- ... cut and suck the wound.
- ... use ice or very hot water.
- ... give the victim alcohol.
- ... apply electric shock.
- ... inject antivenom randomly. Antivenom (if required) must be administered by a doctor in a hospital environment.