COMMON SNAKES OF LOEDSPRU



Hoedspruit has around 35 different species of snakes. Six species are considered highly venomous while four species can inflict a painful bite and one other might require some stitches. Eleven species are mildly venomous and thirteen are harmless to humans.

HIGHLY **VENOMOUS**

Has caused human fatalities

VENOMOUS

Painful bite, but does not require antivenom

MILDLY **VENOMOUS**

Not thought to be harmfull

HARMLESS

Not dangerous to humans



Black Mamba (Dendroaspis polylepis)



Boomslang - male (Dispholidus typus)



Southern Twig Snake (Thelotornis capensis)



Snouted Cobra (Naja annulifera)



Bibron's Stiletto Snake (Atractaspis bibronii)



Snouted Night Adder (Causus defilippii)



Puff Adder (Bitis arietans)



Mozambique Spitting Cobra (Naja mossambica)



Southern African Python (Python natalensis)



Eastern Tiger Snake (Telescopus semiannulatus)



Olive Grass Snake (Psammophis mossambicus)



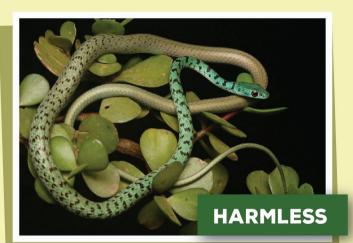
Western Yellow-bellied Sand Snake (Psammophis subtaeniatus)



Herald Snake (Crotaphopeltis hotamboeia)



Eastern Bark Snake (Hemirhagerrhis nototaenia)



Spotted Bush Snake (Philothamnus semivariegatus) - Photo: Luke Kemp



Brown House Snake (Boaedon capensis)



Common Egg-eater Common Wolf Snake (Lycophidion capense)



(Dasypeltis scabra)



(Prosymna stuhlmanni)



(Afrotyphlops schlegelii)

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