COMMON SNAKES



Nelspruit has around 47 different species of snakes. Six species are considered highly venomous while five species can inflict a painful bite and one other might require some stitches. Twelve species are mildly venomous and twenty three are harmless to humans.

HIGHLY VENOMOUS

Has caused human fatalities

VENOMOUS

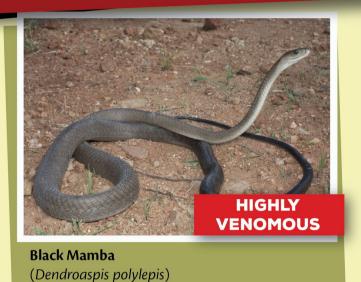
Painful bite, but does not require antivenom

MILDLY **VENOMOUS**

Not thought to be harmfull

HARMLESS

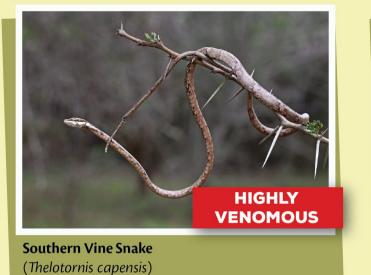
Not dangerous to humans



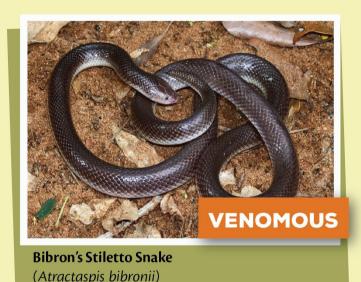


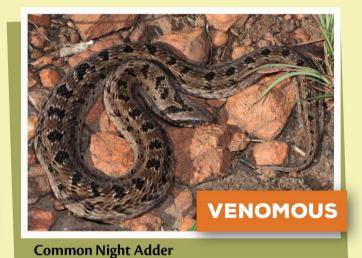
(Dispholidus typus)

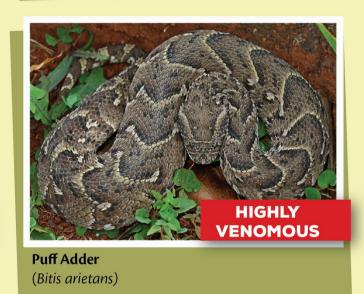
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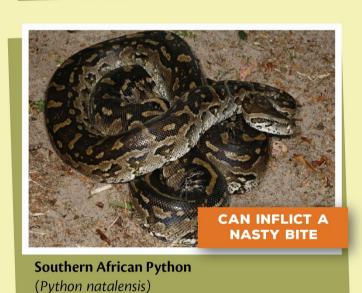


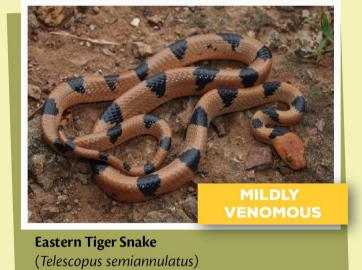




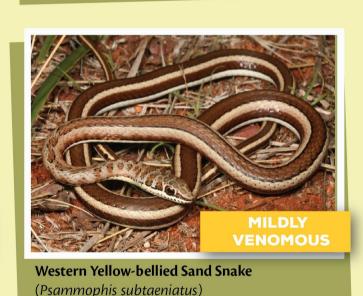










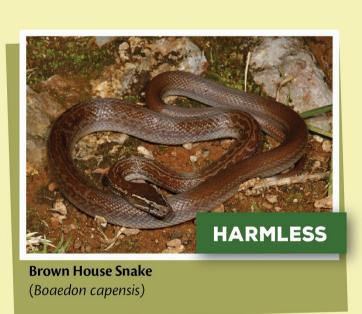






(Dasypeltis scabra)







HARMLESS Common Wolf Snake (Lycophidion capense) (Duberria lutrix) - Photo Luke Kemp







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