

COMMON SNAKES OF WINSTON PARK



Winston Park has around forty different types of snakes. Five species are highly venomous, while three others can inflict a rather painful bites. Eight species are considered mildly venomous. Twenty species are harmless.

HIGHLY VENOMOUS

Has caused
human fatalities

VENOMOUS

Painful bite, but does
not require antivenom

MILDLY VENOMOUS

Not thought
to be harmful

HARMLESS

Not dangerous
to humans



**HIGHLY
VENOMOUS**

Black Mamba
(*Dendroaspis polylepis*)



**HIGHLY
VENOMOUS**

Boomslang - male
(*Dispholidus typus*)



**HIGHLY
VENOMOUS**

Southern Twig Snake
(*Thelotornis capensis*)



**HIGHLY
VENOMOUS**

Mozambique Spitting Cobra
(*Naja mossambica*)



VENOMOUS

Natal Black Snake
(*Macrelaps microlepidotus*)



VENOMOUS

Bibron's Stiletto Snake
(*Atractaspis bibronii*)



VENOMOUS

Common Night Adder
(*Causus rhombeatus*)



**HIGHLY
VENOMOUS**

Puff Adder
(*Bitis arietans*)



HARMLESS

Green Water Snake
(*Philothamnus hoplogaster*)



**MILDLY
VENOMOUS**

Short-snouted Grass Snake
(*Psammophis brevirostris*)



**MILDLY
VENOMOUS**

Herald Snake
(*Crotaphopeltis hotamboeia*)



**MILDLY
VENOMOUS**

Black-headed Centipede-eater
(*Aparallactus capensis*)



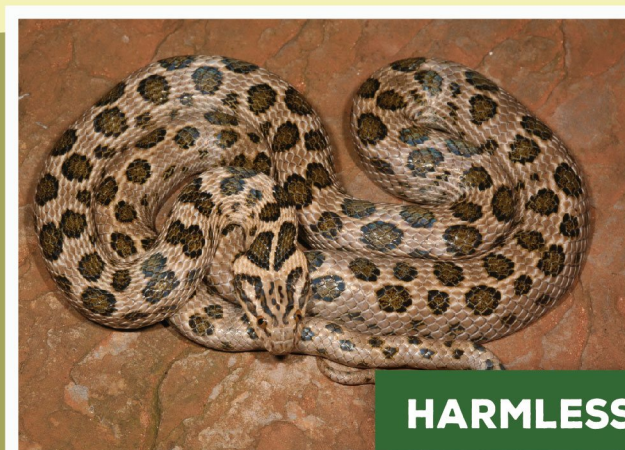
HARMLESS

Spotted Bush Snake
(*Philothamnus semivariegatus*)



HARMLESS

Southern Brown Egg-eater
(*Dasypeltis inornata*)



HARMLESS

Spotted Rock Snake
(*Alopecion guttatum*)



HARMLESS

Brown House Snake
(*Boaedon capensis*)



HARMLESS

Common Wolf Snake
(*Lycophidion capense*)



HARMLESS

Common Brown Water Snake
(*Lycodonormorphus rufulus*)



HARMLESS

Olive Snake
(*Lycodonormorphus inornatus*)



HARMLESS

Common Slug-eater
(*Duberria lutrix*)

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