## COMMON SNAKES OF PILANESBERG NATIONAL PARK



There are around 22 snake species in the Pilanesberg area. Eight are harmless, another eight can deliver a painful bite and six are considered highly venomous.

**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



(Dendroaspis polylepis)



(Naja annulifera)



(Naja mossambica)

(Atractaspis bibronii)



Boomslang - male (Dispholidus typus)









MILDLY

(Psammophis brevirostris)

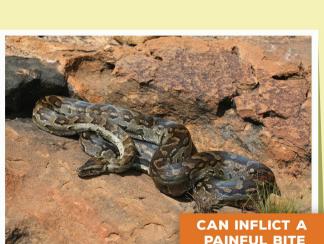


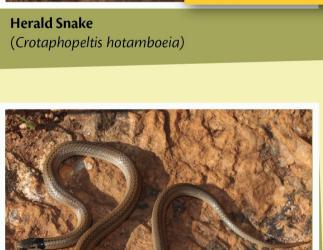


(Psammophis angolensis) - photo Ashley Kemp



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





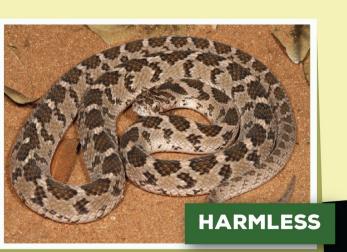




**PAINFUL BITE Southern African Python** 

**VENOMOUS Black-headed Centipede-eater** 

**HARMLESS** 





**Common Egg-eater** (Dasypeltis scabra)

(Python natalensis)

**Bibron's Blind Snake** (Afrotyphlops bibronii)

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(Aparallactus capensis)

**Brown House Snake** (Boaedon capensis)



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**HARMLESS** 

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