COMMON SNAKES OF PHALABORWA



Phalaborwa 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

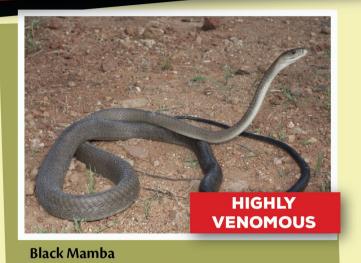
Painful bite, but does not require antivenom

MILDLY **VENOMOUS**

Not thought to be harmfull

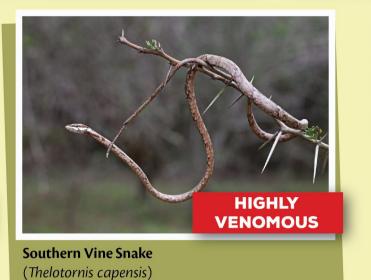
HARMLESS

Not dangerous to humans

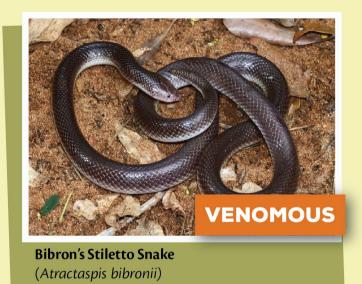


(Dendroaspis polylepis)











(Causus defilippii)



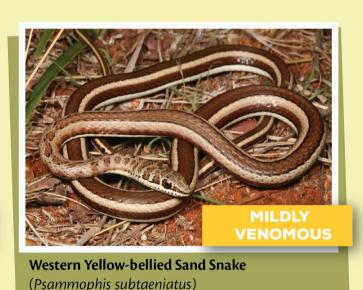






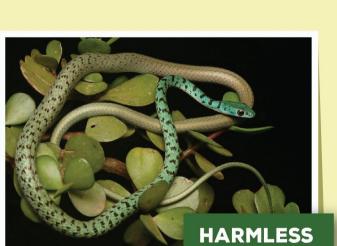


(Psammophis mossambicus)









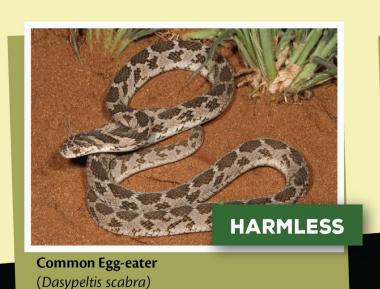


Herald Snake Eastern Bark Snake (Crotaphopeltis hotamboeia) (Hemirhagerrhis nototaenia)



Brown House Snake (Boaedon capensis)









(Afrotyphlops schlegelii)

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