COMMON SNAKES OF MAUN



Maun has around 28 species of snakes. Five species are considered potentially deadly. Another six species can give a bad bite. The majority of snakes in the area are mildly venomous or harmless to humans.

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



(Dendroaspis polylepis)



(Dispholidus typus)











Speckled Shield-nose Snake (Aspidelaps s. scutatus)



Common Night Adder (Causus rhombeatus)



Puff Adder (Bitis arietans)



Boulenger's Garter Snake (Elapsoidea boulengeri)



Boulenger's Garter Snake - juvenile (Elapsoidea boulengeri)



Olive Grass Snake (Psammophis mossambicus)



Western Yellow-bellied Sand Snake (Psammophis subtaeniatus)



Mole Snake (Pseudaspis cana)



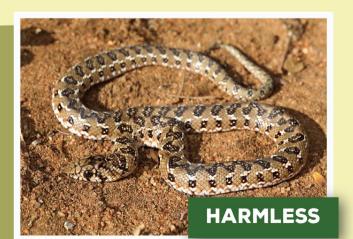
Southern African Python (Python natalensis)



Eastern Tiger Snake (Telescopus semiannulatus)



Common Purple-glossed Snake (Amblyodipsas polylepis)



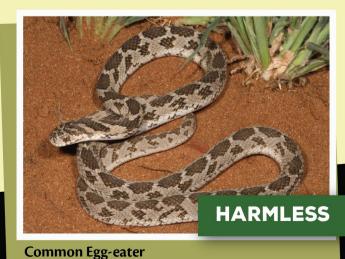
Mole Snake - juvenile (Pseudaspis cana)



Spotted Bush Snake (Philothamnus semivariegatus) - photo Luke Kemp



Common Wolf Snake (Lycophidion capense)



(Dasypeltis scabra)

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