

SNAKES OF SOUTHERN AFRICA



 Black Mamba <i>Dendroaspis polylepis</i> Swartmamba	 Green Mamba <i>Dendroaspis angusticeps</i> Groenmamba	 Brown Forest Cobra <i>Naja subfulva</i> Bruinboskobra	 Cape Cobra <i>Naja nivea</i> Kaapse Kobra/Geelslang	 Snouted Cobra <i>Aspidelaps annulifera</i> Wipneuskobra	 Anchietae's Cobra <i>Naja anchietae</i> Anchieta se kobra	 Mozambique Spitting Cobra <i>Naja mossambica</i> Mosambiekspeogkobra
 Zebra Cobra <i>Naja nigricincta</i> Sebraslang	 Black Spitting Cobra <i>Naja nigricincta woodi</i> Swartspoegkobra	 Rinkhals <i>Hemachatus haemachatus</i> Rinkhals	 Speckled Shield-nose Snake <i>Aspidelaps s. scutatus</i> Gespijkelde Skildneusslang	 Cape Coral Snake <i>Aspidelaps l. lubricus</i> Kaapse Koraalslang	 Boomslang <i>Dispholidus typus</i> Boomslang	 Southern Vine Snake <i>Thelotornis capensis</i> Suidelike Takslang
 Gaboon Adder <i>Bitis gabonica</i> Gaboenadder	 Puff Adder <i>Bitis arietans</i> Pofadder	 Berg Adder <i>Bitis atropos</i> Bergadder	 Many-horned Adder <i>Bitis cornuta</i> Veelhoringsadder	 Red Adder <i>Bitis rubida</i> Rooiadder	 Horned Adder <i>Bitis caudalis</i> Horingsadder	 Péringuey's Adder <i>Bitis peringueyi</i> Namibduinadder
 Beetz's Tiger Snake <i>Telescopus beetzii</i> Beetz se Tierslang	 Eastern Tiger Snake <i>Telescopus semiannulatus</i> Oostelike Tierslang	 Common Purple-glossed Snake <i>Amblydipsas polylepis</i> Gewone Persglosslang	 Natal Black Snake <i>Macrelaps microlepidotus</i> Natal Swartslang	 Bibron's Skiletto Snake <i>Astractaspis bibronii</i> Bibron se Sypikslang	 Snouted Night Adder <i>Causus defilippii</i> Wipneusnagadder	 Common Night Adder <i>Causus rhombeatus</i> Gewone Nagadder
 Spotted Harlequin Snake <i>Homoroselaps lacteus</i> Gevlekte Kousbandjie	 Marbled Tree Snake <i>Dipsadoboa aulica</i> Marmerslang	 Western Keel Snake <i>Pythonodipsas carinata</i> Weslike Gekielde Slang	 Eastern Bark Snake <i>Hemirhagerrhis nototaenia</i> Oostelike Basslang	 Many-spotted Reed Snake <i>Amplorhinus multimaculatus</i> Rietslang	 Spotted Skaapsteker <i>Psammophylax rhombatus</i> Gevlekte Skaapsteker	 Striped Skaapsteker <i>Psammophylax tritaenatus</i> Gestrepte Skaapsteker
 Olive Grass Snake <i>Psammophis mossambicus</i> Olyfgrasslang	 Short-snouted Grass Snake <i>Psammophis brevisrostris</i> Kortsnoetgrasslang	 Yellow-bellied Sand Snake <i>Psammophis subtaenatus</i> Weslike Gestrepte Sandlang	 Karoo Sand Snake <i>Psammophis notostictus</i> Karoosandlang	 Fork-marked Sand Snake <i>Psammophis trisalis</i> Kalaharisandlang	 Dwarf Sand Snake <i>Psammophis angolensis</i> Dwergsandlang	 Cross-marked Grass Snake <i>Psammophis crucifer</i> Kruismerkgrasslang
 Dwarf Beaked Snake <i>Dipsina multimaculata</i> Dwerghaakneusslang	 Herald Snake <i>Crotaphopeltis hotamboeia</i> Rooilipslang/Heraldslang	 Reticulated Centipede-eater <i>Aparallactus lunulatus</i> Gebande Honderdpootvreter	 Black-headed Centipede-eater <i>Aparallactus capensis</i> Swartkophonderdpootvreter	 Mole Snake <i>Pseudaspis cana</i> Molslang	 Southern African Python <i>Python natalensis</i> Suider-Afrikaanse Luislang	 Common File Snake <i>Limnophis capensis</i> Gewone Vylslang
 Sundevall's Shovel-snout <i>Prosymna sundevallii</i> Sundevall se Graafneusslang	 East-African Shovel-snout <i>Prosymna stuhlmanni</i> Gespijkelde Graafneusslang	 Common Wolf Snake <i>Lycophidion capense</i> Gewone Wolfslang	 Olive Snake <i>Lycodonomorphus inornatus</i> Olyfslang	 Brown Water Snake <i>Lycodonomorphus rufulus</i> Bruinwaterslang	 Brown House Snake <i>Boaedon capensis</i> Bruinhuisslang	 Bug-eyed House Snake <i>Boaedon mentalis</i> Grootooghuisslang
 Brown Egg-eater <i>Dasypeltis inornata</i> Bruineivervreter	 Spotted Bush Snake <i>Philothamnus semivariatus</i> Gespijkelde Bosslang	 Green Water Snake <i>Philothamnus hoplogaster</i> Groenwaterslang	 Western Natal Green Snake <i>Philothamnus occidentalis</i> Weslike Natalgroenslang	 Eastern Natal Green Snake <i>Philothamnus natalensis</i> Oostelike Natalgroenslang	 Aurora House Snake <i>Lamprophis aurora</i> Aurorahuisslang	 Spotted Rock Snake <i>Alopecion guttatum</i> Gespijkelde Rotslang
 Common Egg-eater <i>Dasypeltis scabra</i> Gewone Eiervreter	 Common Slug-eater <i>Duberria lutrix</i> Gewone Slakvreter	 Variagated Slug-eater <i>Duberria variegata</i> Bont Slakvreter	 Schlegel's Blind Snake <i>Afrotrophops schlegelii</i> Schlegel se Blindeslang	 Bibron's Blind Snake <i>Afrotrophops bibronii</i> Bibron se Blindeslang	 Delalande's Beaked Blind Snake <i>Rhinotyphlops lalandei</i> Delalande se Blindeslang	 Peter's Thread Snake <i>Leptotyphlops scutifrons</i> Peter se Wurmslang

Key

- HIGHLY VENOMOUS** - Has caused human fatalities.
- VENOMOUS** - Painful bite but does not require antivenom.
- MILDLY VENOMOUS** - Not thought to be harmful to humans.
- PAINFUL BITE** - Not venomous but can inflict a painful bite.
- HARMLESS** - No threat to humans.

EMERGENCY PROTOCOL FOR SNAKEBITE

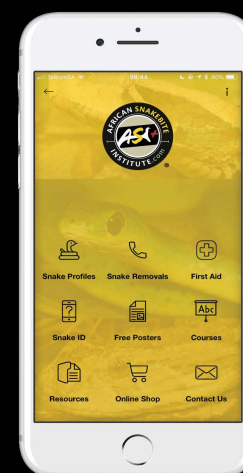
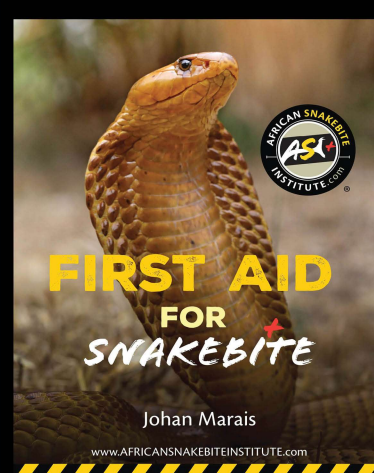
1. Keep the victim calm, immobilised and transport the victim to the nearest hospital **without delay**.

2. If the victim stops breathing, resort to artificial respiration, rescue breathing or make use of a Bag Valve Mask.

3. Call the Poison Information Centre help-line for further advice: **0861 555 777**

DO NOT

- ...apply a tourniquet or tight bandage.
- ...cut and suck the wound.
- ...use ice or very hot water.
- ...give the victim alcohol.
- ...apply electric shock.
- ...inject antivenom randomly.



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