# COMMON SNAKES OF BANDINGILO NATIONAL PARK

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**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

**Egyptian Cobra**
*(Naja haje)*

**Black-necked Spitting Cobra**
*(Naja nigricollis)*

**Boomslang**
*(Dispholidus typus)*

**Puff Adder**
*(Bitis arietans)*

**Stiletto Snake**
*(Atractaspis spp.)* - *photo Bill Branch*

**African Large-eyed Cat Snake**
*(Telescopus obtusus)* - *photo Steve Spawls*

**Herald Snake**
*(Crotaphopeltis hotamboeia)*

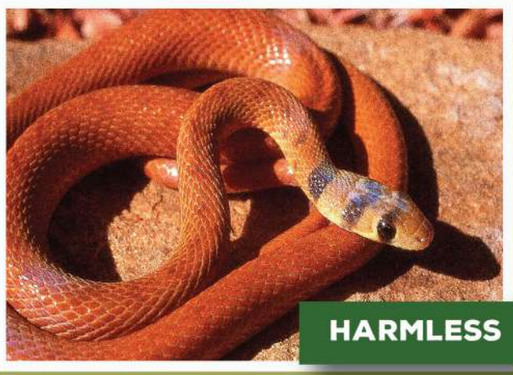
**Olive Sand Snake**
*(Psammophis mossambicus)*

**Lake Rukwa Sand Snake**
*(Psammophis rukwae)* - *photo Steve Spawls*

**Northern Stripe-bellied Sand Snake**
*(Psammophis sudanensis)* - *photo Steve Spawls*

**African Rock Python**
*(Python sebae)* - *photo Luke Verburgt*

**Spotted Bush Snake**
*(Philothamnus semivariegatus)*




**Smith's Racer**
*(Platyceps brevis)* - *photo Stephen Spawls*

**Cape Wolf Snake**
*(Lycophidion capense)*

**African House Snake**
*(Boaedon fulignosus)*

**Confusing Egg-eater**
*(Dasypeltis confusa)* - *photo Werner Conradie*

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## EMERGENCY PROTOCOL

### IN THE EVENT OF A SNAKE BITE

1 Keep the victim calm, immobilized and transport the victim to the closest hospital without delay.

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

3 Call the African Snakebite Institute help-line for further advice: +27 82 494 2039.

### DO NOT

... apply a tourniquet.
... cut and suck the wound.
... use ice or very hot water.
... give the victim alcohol.
... apply electric shock.
... inject antivenom randomly.
Antivenom (if required) must be administered by a doctor in a hospital environment.