

COMMON SNAKES OF CHINKO NATURE RESERVE



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



HIGHLY VENOMOUS

Black Mamba
(*Dendroaspis polylepis*)



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



HIGHLY VENOMOUS

Brown Forest Cobra
(*Naja subfulva*)



HIGHLY VENOMOUS

Banded Water Cobra
(*Naja annulata*) - Photo Bill Branch



HIGHLY VENOMOUS

Gaboon Viper
(*Bitis gabonica*)



HIGHLY VENOMOUS

Puff Adder
(*Bitis arietans*)



HIGHLY VENOMOUS

Boomslang
(*Dispholidus typus*)



VENOMOUS

Spotted Night Adder
(*Causus maculatus*) - Photo Alex Rebelo



MILDLY VENOMOUS

Olive Sand Snake
(*Psammodon philipsii*) - Photo Luke Verburt



MILDLY VENOMOUS

Reticulate Centipede-eater
(*Aparallactus lunulatus*) - Photo Gerald Dunger



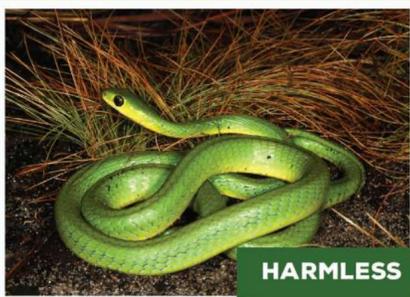
MILDLY VENOMOUS

White-lipped Herald Snake
(*Crotaphopeltis hotamboeia*)



CAN INFLICT A PAINFUL BITE

African Rock Python
(*Python sebae*) - Photo Luke Kemp



HARMLESS

Slender Green Snake
(*Philothamnus heterolepidotus*) - Photo Werner Conradie



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Smith's Water Snake
(*Grayia smithii*) - Photo Alex Rebelo



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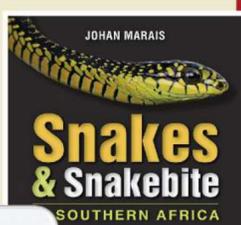
Striped House Snake
(*Boaedon lineatus*) - Photo Luke Verburt



HARMLESS

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.