

COMMON SNAKES OF PENDJARI NATIONAL PARK



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

West African Carpet Viper
(*Echis ocellatus*)



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Puff Adder
(*Bitis arietans*)



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Savanna Forest Cobra
(*Naja savannula*) - photo Luke Verburgt



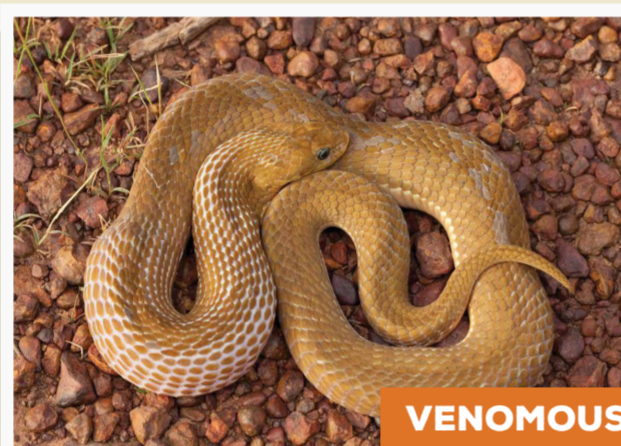
HIGHLY VENOMOUS

Black-necked Spitting Cobra
(*Naja nigricollis*) - photo Luke Verburgt



HIGHLY VENOMOUS

Katian Spitting Cobra
(*Naja katiensis*) - photo Stephen Spawls



VENOMOUS

Spotted Night Adder
(*Causus maculatus*)



VENOMOUS

Angolan Garter Snake
(*Elapsoidea semiannulata*) - photo Werner Conradie



CAN INFLICT A PAINFUL BITE

African Rock Python
(*Python sebae*)



MILDLY VENOMOUS

Phillips' Sand Snake
(*Psammophis phillipsii*) - photo Luke Verburgt



MILDLY VENOMOUS

Elegant Sand Snake
(*Psammophis elegans*) - photo Tim Brammer



MILDLY VENOMOUS

Variagated Tiger Snake
(*Telescopus variegatus*) - photo Gerald Dunger



MILDLY VENOMOUS

Herald Snake
(*Crotaphopeltis hotamboeia*)



HARMLESS

Ball Python
(*Python regius*) - photo Luke Kemp



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Common Bush Snake
(*Philothamnus irregularis*)



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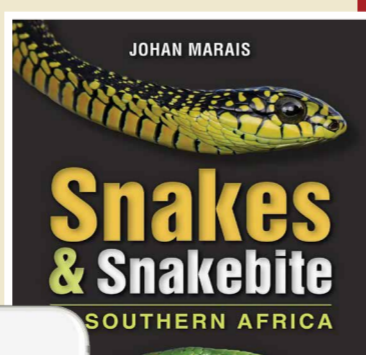
Striped House Snake
(*Boaedon lineatus*) - photo Luke Verburgt



HARMLESS

Egg-eater
(*Dasypeltis* spp) - photo Stephen Spawls

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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.