

COMMON SNAKES OF MANGOCHI FOREST 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



Black Mamba
(*Dendroaspis polylepis*)

HIGHLY VENOMOUS



Mozambique Spitting Cobra
(*Naja mossambica*)

HIGHLY VENOMOUS



Boomslang
(*Dispholidus typus*)

HIGHLY VENOMOUS



Snouted Cobra
(*Naja annulifera*)

HIGHLY VENOMOUS



Puff Adder
(*Bitis arietans*)

HIGHLY VENOMOUS



Bibron's Stiletto Snake
(*Atractaspis bibronii*)

VENOMOUS



Southern African Python
(*Python natalensis*)

CAN INFLICT A PAINFUL BITE



Eastern Stripe-bellied Sand Snake
(*Psammophis orientalis*)

MILDLY VENOMOUS



Olive Grass Snake
(*Psammophis mossambicus*)

MILDLY VENOMOUS



Herald Snake
(*Crotaphopeltis hotamboeia*)

MILDLY VENOMOUS



Eastern Tiger Snake
(*Teloscopus semiannulatus*)

MILDLY VENOMOUS



Spotted Bush Snake
(*Philothamnus semivariegatus*)

HARMLESS



Green Water Snake
(*Philothamnus hoplogaster*)

HARMLESS



East African Egg-eater
(*Dasypeltis medici*)

HARMLESS



Brown House Snake
(*Boaedon capensis*)

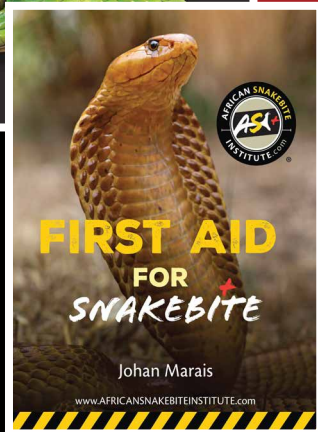
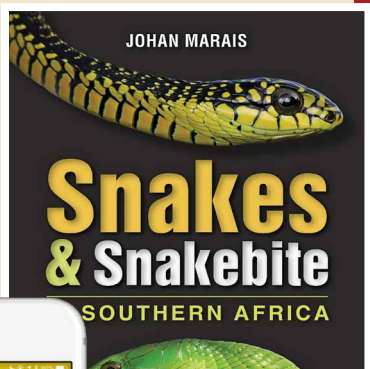
HARMLESS



Zambezi Blind Snake
(*Afrotyphlops dinga*)

HARMLESS

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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.