

COMMON SNAKES OF HOEDSPRUIT



VERY DANGEROUS
Has caused human fatalities

DANGEROUS
Painful bite, but does not require antivenom

MILDLY VENOMOUS
Does not require hospitalisation

HARMLESS
Not dangerous to humans



VERY DANGEROUS

Puff Adder
(*Bitis arietans*)



VERY DANGEROUS

Black Mamba
(*Dendroaspis polylepis*)



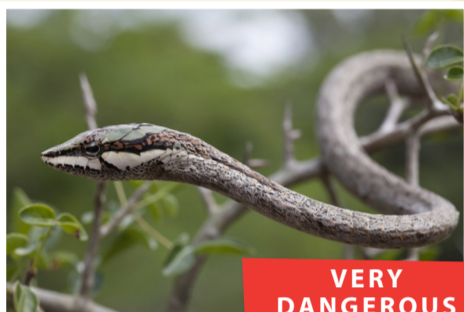
VERY DANGEROUS

Boomslang – male
(*Dispholidus typus*)



VERY DANGEROUS

Boomslang – female
(*Dispholidus typus*)



VERY DANGEROUS

Twig or Vine Snake
(*Thelotornis capensis*)



VERY DANGEROUS

Mozambique Spitting Cobra
(*Naja mossambica*)



VERY DANGEROUS

Snouted Cobra
(*Naja annulifera*)



DANGEROUS

Intermediate Shield Cobra
(*Aspidelaps scutatus intermedius*)



DANGEROUS

Bibron's Stiletto Snake
(*Atractaspis bibronii*)



DANGEROUS

Snouted Night Adder
(*Causus defilippii*)



MILDLY VENOMOUS

Herald Snake
(*Crotaphopeltis hotamboeia*)



MILDLY VENOMOUS

Striped Skaapsteker
(*Psammophylax triaeniatius*)



MILDLY VENOMOUS

Reticulated Centipede-Eater
(*Aparallactus lunulatus*)



MILDLY VENOMOUS

Olive Grass Snake
(*Psammophis mossambicus*)



MILDLY VENOMOUS

Western Stripe-bellied Sand Snake
(*Psammophis subtaeniatus*)



CAN INFLICT A NASTY BITE

Southern African Python
(*Python natalensis*)



HARMLESS

Spotted Bush Snake
(*Philothamnus semivariegatus*)



HARMLESS

Rhombic Egg Eater
(*Dasypeltis scabra*)



HARMLESS

Brown House Snake
(*Boaedon capensis*)

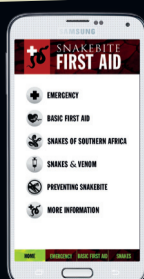
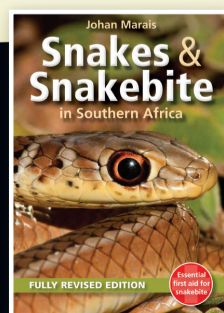


HARMLESS

Schlegel's beaked blind snake
(*Afrotyphlops schlegelii*)

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