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## Suborder SEREPENTES

### File Snakes (Acrochordidae)

- 1 Wart Snake (*Acrochordus granulatus*)

### Pythons & Boas (Boidae)

- 2 Sand Boa (*Gongylophis conica*)
- 3 Indian Python (*Python molurus*)

### Pipe Snakes (Cylindrophidae)

- 4 Pipe Snake (*Cylindrophis maculata*)

### Colubrid Snakes (Colubridae)

- 5 Green Vine Snake (*Ahaetulla nasuta*)
- 6 Brown Vine Snake (*Ahaetulla pulverulenta*)
- 7 Buff-striped Keelback (*Amphiesma stolatum*)
- 8 Banded Racer (*Argyrogena fasciolata*)
- 9 Boie's Roughside (*Aspidura brachyorrhos*)
- 10 Cope's Roughside (*Aspidura copei*)
- 11 Deraniyagala's Roughside (*Aspidura deraniyagalae*)
- 12 Guenther's Drummond-Hay's Roughside (*Aspidura drummondhayi*)
- 13 Ferguson's Roughside (*Aspidura guentheri*)
- 14 Common Roughside (*Aspidura trachyprocta*)
- 15 The Olive Keelback Watersnake (*Atretium schistosum*)
- 16 Sri Lanka Keelback (*Balanophis ceylonensis*)
- 17 Barne's Cat Snake (*Boiga barnesii*)
- 18 Beddoms Cat Snake (*Boiga beddomei*)
- 19 Sri Lanka Cat Snake (*Boiga ceylonensis*)
- 20 Forsten's Cat Snake (*Boiga forsteni*)
- 21 Gamma Cat Snake (*Boiga trigonatus*)
- 22 Ranawana's Golden Cat Snake (*Boiga Ranawanei*)
- 23 Dog-faced Water Snake (*Cerebrus rynchops*)
- 24 The Sri Lanka Wolf Snake (*Cercaspis carinata*)
- 25 Ornate Flying Snake (*Chrysopelea ornata*)

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- 26 Striped Flying Snake (*Chrysopelea taprobanica*)
- 27 Trinket Snake (*Coelognathus helena*)
- 28 Boulenger's Bronzeback (*Dendrelaphis bifrenalis*)
- 29 Gunther's Bronze Back (*Dendrelaphis caudolineolatus*)
- 30 Oliver's Bronze Back (*Dendrelaphis oliveri*)
- 31 Common Bronze Back (*Dendrelaphis tristis*)
- 32 Scarce Bridal Snake (*Dryocalamus gracilis*)
- 33 Bridal Snake (*Dryocalamus nympha*)
- 34 Gerard's Water Snake (*Gerarda prevostianus*)
- 35 TBlack Spine Snake (*Haplocercus ceylonensis*)
- 36 Reed Snake (*Liopeltis calamaria*)
- 37 Wolf Snake (*Lycodon aulicus*)
- 38 Flowery Wolf Snake (*Lycodon osmanhilli*)
- 39 Shaw's Wolf Snake (*Lycodon striatus*)
- 40 The Green Keelback (*Macropisthodon plumbicolor*)
- 41 Common Kukri Snake (*Oligodon arnensis*)
- 42 Templeton's Kukri Snake (*Oligodon calamarius*)
- 43 Dumerul's Kukri Snake (*Oligodon sublineatus*)
- 44 The Variegated Kukri Snake (*Oligodon taeniolata*)
- 45 Russell's Kukri Snake (*Oligodon taeniolata*)
- 46 Rat Snake (*Ptyas mucosa*)
- 47 Jerdon's Polyodont (*Sibynophis subpunctatus*)
- 48 The Checkered Keelback (*Xenochrophis asperrimus*)
- 49 The Checkered Keelback (*Xenochrophis piscator*)

### **Elapid Snakes (Elapidae)**

- 50 The Common Krait (*Bungarus ceylonicus*)
- 51 Sri Lanka Krait (*Bungarus ceylonicus*)
- 52 Sri Lanka Coral Snake (*Calliophis melanurus*)
- 53 Indian Cobra (*Naja naja*)

### **Sea Snakes (Hydrophiidae)**

- 54 Stoke's Sea Snake (*Astrotia stokesii*)
- 55 Hook Nose Sea Snake (*Enhydrina schistosa*)
- 56 Peter's Sea Snake (*Hydrophis bituberculatus*)
- 57 The Chitul (*Hydrophis cyanocinctus*)
- 58 John's Sea Snake (*Hydrophis gracilis*)

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- 59 Persian Gulf Sea Snake (*Hydrophis lapemoides*)
- 60 Gray's Sea Snake (*Hydrophis ornatus*)
- 61 Narrow Banded Sea Snake (*Hydrophis spiralis*)
- 62 Guenther's Sea Snake (*Hydrophis stricticollis*)
- 63 Jerdon's Sea Snake (*Kerilia jerdonii*)
- 64 Shaw's Sea Snake (*Lapemis curtus*)
- 65 Yellow-bellied Sea Snake (*Pelamis platurus*)
- 66 Schmidt's Sea Snake (*Thalassophina viperina*)

### **Worm Snakes (Typhlopidae)**

- 67 Common Blind Snake (*Ramphotyphlops braminus*)
- 68 Smith's Blind Snake (*Typhlops ceylonicus*)
- 69 Lanka Blind Snake (*Typhlops lankaensis*)
- 70 Pied Tylophs (*Typhlops leucomelas*)
- 71 Malcolm's Blind Snake (*Typhlops malcolmi*)
- 72 Jan's Blind Snake (*Typhlops mirus*)
- 73 Stoliczka's Blind Snake (*Typhlops porrectus*)
- 74 Taylor's Blind Snake (*Typhlops tenebrarum*)
- 75 Veddha's Blind Snake (*Typhlops veddae*)
- 76 Violet Blind Snake (*Typhlops violaceus*)

### **Shieldtails (Uropeltidae)**

- 77 (*Platyplectrurus madurensis*)
- 78 Large Shield Tail (*Pseudotyphlops philippinus*)
- 79 Blyth's Earth Snake (*Rhinophis blythii*)
- 80 Orange Shield Tail (*Rhinophis dorsimaculatus*)
- 81 Drummond-Hay's Earth Snake (*Rhinophis drummondhayi*)
- 82 Kelaarts Earth Snake (*Rhinophis homolepis*)
- 83 Schneider's Earth Snake (*Rhinophis oxyrynchus*)
- 84 Cuvier's Earth Snake (*Rhinophis philippinus*)
- 85 Willey's Earth Snake (*Rhinophis porrectus*)
- 86 Muller's Earth Snake (*Rhinophis punctatus*)
- 87 Deraniyagala's Shield Tail (*Rhinophis tricoloratus*)
- 88 Black Shield Tail (*Uropeltis melanogaster*)
- 89 Phillips's Shield Tail (*Uropeltis phillipsi*)
- 90 (*Uropeltis ruhunae*)

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### **Vipers (Viperidae)**

- 91 Russell's Viper (*Daboia russelii*)
- 92 Saw-scale Viper (*Echis carinatus*)
- 93 The Merrem's Hump-nosed Viper (*Hypnale hypnale*)
- 94 Merrem's Hump-nosed Viper (*Hypnale nepa*)
- 95 Gloyd's Hump-nosed Viper (*Hypnale walli*)
- 96 Green Pit Viper (*Trimeresurus trigonocephalus*)

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