

DANGEROUS SNAKES OF ANGOLA



Angola has over 120 different types of snakes. The majority are not venomous or only mildly venomous. Sixteen can inflict rather painful bites.

Fifteen species are considered potentially deadly

HIGHLY VENOMOUS

Has caused human fatalities

VENOMOUS

Painful bite, but does not require antivenom



HIGHLY VENOMOUS

Black Mamba
(*Dendroaspis polylepis*)



HIGHLY VENOMOUS

Anchieta's Cobra
(*Naja anchietae*)



HIGHLY VENOMOUS

Brown Forest Cobra
(*Naja subfulva*)



HIGHLY VENOMOUS

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



HIGHLY VENOMOUS

Boomslang - male
(*Dispholidus typus*)



HIGHLY VENOMOUS

Southern Vine Snake
(*Thelotornis capensis*)



VENOMOUS

Kunene Coral Snake
(*Aspidelaps l. cowlesi*) - photo Randy Babb



VERY DANGEROUS

Zebra Cobra
(*Naja nigricincta*)



HIGHLY VENOMOUS

Gaboon Adder
(*Bitis gabonica*)



HIGHLY VENOMOUS

Puff Adder
(*Bitis arietans*)



VENOMOUS

Horned Adder
(*Bitis caudalis*)



VENOMOUS

Spotted Night Adder
(*Causus maculatus*)



DANGEROUS

Southern African Python
(*Python natalensis*)



VENOMOUS

Stiletto Snake
(*Atractaspis* sp.) - photo Luke Kemp



VENOMOUS

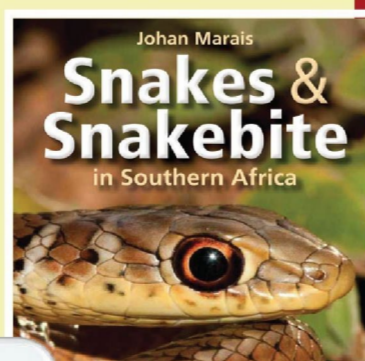
Velvety-green Night Adder
(*Causus resimus*)



VENOMOUS

Two-lined Night Adder
(*Causus bilineatus*) - 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 Poison Information Centre help-line for further advice: 0861 555 777.

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.

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