



SNAKES OF EAST TENNESSEE



EAST TENNESSEE IS HOME TO 23 SPECIES OF SNAKES;
ONLY 2 OF THESE ARE VENOMOUS.

NONVENOMOUS SNAKES FOUND IN EAST TENNESSEE



Photo by John White
BLACK KINGSNAKE
Lampropeltis niger



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SCARLET KINGSNAKE
Lampropeltis elapsoides



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EASTERN MILKSNAKE
Lampropeltis triangulum



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MOLE KINGSNAKE
Lampropeltis rhombomaculata



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RING-NECKED SNAKE
Diadophis punctatus



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SMOOTH EARTHSNAKE
Virginia valeriae



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EASTERN WORMSNAKE
Carphophis amoenus



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RED-BELLIED SNAKE
Storeria occipitomaculata



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DEKAY'S BROWNSNAKE
Storeria dekayi



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SCARLETSNAKE
Cemophora coccinea



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RATSNAKE
Elaphe spiloides



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CORNSNAKE
Elaphe guttata



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BLACK RACER
Coluber constrictor



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ROUGH GREENSNAKE
Opheodrys aestivus



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QUEEN SNAKE
Regina septemvittata



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EASTERN RIBBONSNAKE
Thamnophis sauritus



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COMMON GARTERSNAKE
Thamnophis sirtalis

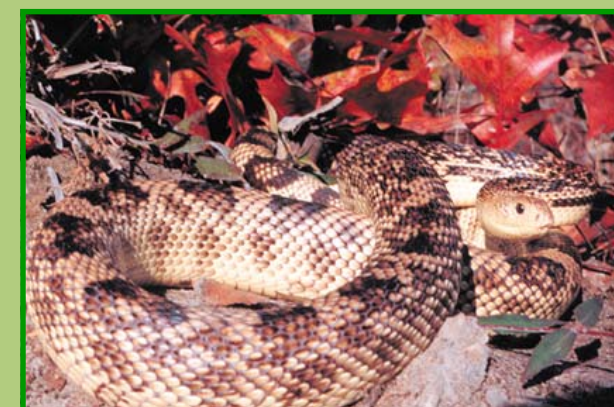


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NORTHERN PINESNAKE
Pituophis melanoleucus



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SOUTHEASTERN CROWNED SNAKE
Tantilla coronata



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EASTERN HOG-NOSED SNAKE
Heterodon platirhinos



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NORTHERN WATERSNAKE
Nerodia sipedon

VENOMOUS SNAKES FOUND IN EAST TENNESSEE



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TIMBER RATTLESNAKE
Crotalus horridus



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COPPERHEAD
Agkistrodon contortrix

COTTONMOUTHS (*Agkistrodon piscivorus*) DO NOT OCCUR IN EAST TENNESSEE. MOST REPORTED SIGHTINGS CAN BE ATTRIBUTED TO MISIDENTIFICATION OF THE NORTHERN WATERSNAKE.



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COTTONMOUTH
Agkistrodon piscivorus

VENOMOUS OR NONVENOMOUS



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VENOMOUS SNAKES IN EAST TENNESSEE CAN BE IDENTIFIED BY THE PRESENCE OF HEAT SENSING PITS BEHIND THE NOSTRILS AND ELIPTICAL PUPILS.

NONVENOMOUS SNAKES LACK HEAT SENSING PITS AND HAVE ROUND PUPILS.