Medically Important Venomous Snakes of Hoedspruit

Hoedspruit is home to a large diversity of snakes but only a few are of medical importance to humans.

Venomous and causes human fatalities. Requires antivenom

Venomous and causes painful bites but do not require antivenom

Polyvalent Antivenom

Monovalent Antivenom

No antivenom available

Neurotoxic · Cytotoxic · Haemotoxic

Black mamba
(*Dendroaspis polylepis*)

Mozambique Spitting Cobra
(*Naja mossambica*)

Puff Adder
(*Bitis arietans*)

Snouted Cobra
(*Naja annulifera*)

Boomslang
(Dispholidus typus)

Twig Snake
(Thelotornis capensis)

Stiletto Snake
(Atractaspis bibronii)

Shield-nosed cobra
(*Aspidelaps scutatus*)

Snouted Night Adder
(Causus defilippii)

Snakebite Protocol

In the event of a snake bite from any of these snakes, please go to your closest hospital immediately. Only doctors in a hospital can administer antivenom. Please ensure that the victim stays calm and immobilized.

Hoedspruit Reptile Centre has an Antivenom Bank.
~Please note that we can provide the antivenom but this must be administered by a doctor at a hospital~
Contact us on 064 516 7439

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