

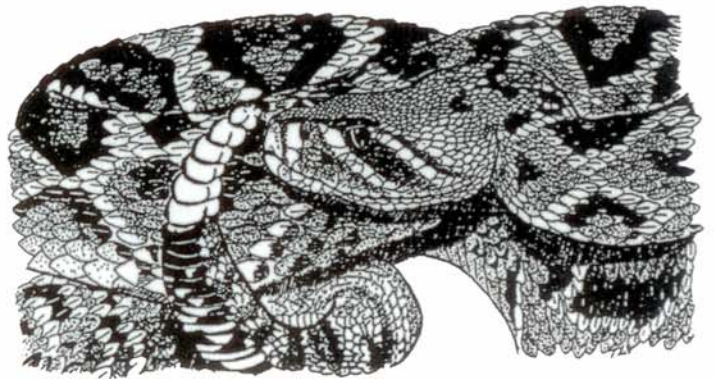
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# O S VENOMOUS SNAKES OF MISSISSIPPI

# R N E R

Of the 55 different kinds of snakes in Mississippi, only six are venomous. Most of our venomous snakes have characteristics which are not shared by harmless snakes. Although harmless snakes are more common, encounters with venomous snakes do occur and you should always be careful while enjoying outdoor activities.

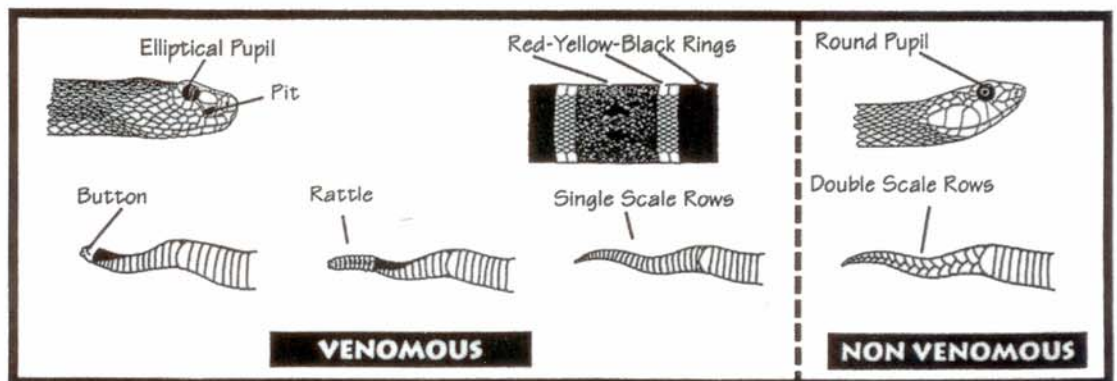


## Which snakes are venomous?

- Diamondback Rattlesnake
- Red Rat Snake
- Diamondback Water Snake
- Coral Snake
- Canebrake Rattlesnake
- Scarlet King Snake
- Cottonmouth
- Black Racer
- Pigmy Rattlesnake
- Hognose Snake
- Copperhead
- Garter Snake

## Characteristics of venomous snakes

- Facial Pits
- Vertically Elliptical Pupils
- Single Scale Rows Underneath Tail
- Rattle or Button on Tail
- Red-Yellow-Black Rings



Diamondback Rattlesnake, Coral Snake, Canebrake Rattlesnake, Cottonmouth, Pigmy Rattlesnake, Hognose Snake, Copperhead