



Copperhead
(*Agkistrodon contortrix*)
Venomous



Rough Greensnake
(*Opheodrys aestivus*)



Rainbow Snake
(*Farancia erytrogramma*)
Potential



Mole Kingsnake
(*Lampropeltis calligaster rhombomaculata*)
Potential



Coastal Plain Milksnake
(*Lampropeltis triangulum elapsoides*)
Potential

IF YOU ENCOUNTER A SNAKE:

Leave the snake alone and move away. Approximately half of all bites occur when individuals were attempting to capture, harass, or kill a snake. If a snake needs to be removed, contact the NSF Indian Head Environmental Division's Natural Resources Manager: 301-744-2273.

Snake Avoidance Tips:

- Be careful working around brush piles or other debris. Use a rake or long handled tool to move brush, debris, or other materials before picking it up.
- Snakes prey on small animals including mice, rats, lizards and frogs. Removing habitat for these animals (eliminating brush piles, wood piles, sources of food, etc.) will help reduce unwelcome encounters with snakes.
- Wear snake chaps or tall leather boots when walking in thick vegetation.
- Seek medical attention immediately if you are bitten by any venomous or unknown snake. Do not attempt to draw out the venom. If possible, collect the snake safely or take a photo with your phone to provide to medical staff.



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Snakes of Naval Support Facility Indian Head



Common Kingsnake



Copperhead



Rainbow Snake

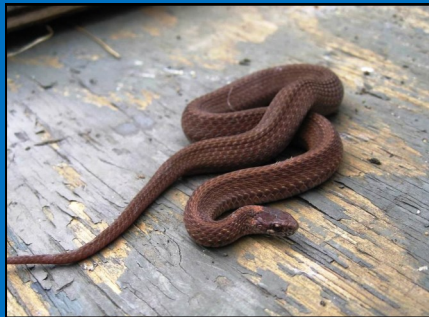
Fifteen species of snakes have been confirmed on Naval Support Facility Indian Head and there is the potential for three additional species to be present. The vast majority of snakes found on the installation, such as the Eastern Gartersnake, Eastern Ratsnake and Rough Greensnake are nonvenomous and harmless. The Copperhead is the only venomous snake found on the installation. Snakes play an important role in ecosystems of Maryland. Please do not kill snakes, particularly when they are encountered away from dwellings or work spaces.



Ring-necked Snake
(*Diadophis punctatus*)



Northern Brownsnake
(*Storeria dekayi dekayi*)



Red-bellied Snake
(*Storeria occipitomaculata*)



Eastern Wormsnake
(*Carphophis amoenus amoenus*)



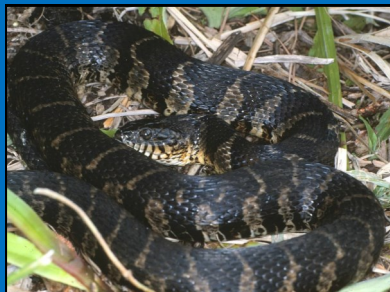
Eastern Smooth Earthsnake
(*Virginia valeriae valeriae*)



Queen Snake
(*Regina septemvittata*)



Eastern Kingsnake
(*Lampropeltis getula*)



Northern Watersnake
(*Nerodia sipedon sipedon*)



Eastern Gartersnake
(*Thamnophis sirtalis sirtalis*)



Eastern Ribbonsnake
(*Thamnophis sauritus*)



Eastern Hog-nose Snake
(*Heterodon platirhinos*)



Eastern Ratsnake
(*Pantherophis alleghaniensis*)



North American Racer
(*Coluber constrictor*)