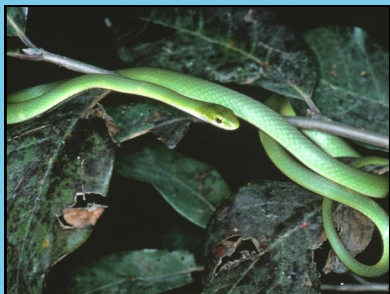




**Ringneck Snake**  
(*Diadophis punctatus*)



**Rough Green Snake**  
(*Opheodrys aestivus*)



**Banded Water Snake**  
(*Nerodia fasciata*)



**Mud Snake**  
(*Farancia abacura*)

Photo by Jeff Hall



**Eastern Indigo Snake**  
(*Drymarchon couperi*)

## IF YOU ENCOUNTER A SNAKE:

Leave the snake alone and move away. Approximately half of all bites occur when individuals attempt to capture, harass, or kill a snake. If a snake needs to be removed, contact the Environmental Division's Fish and Wildlife Branch: 571-801-2224/2225 or call 911 for emergencies.

### Snake Avoidance Tips:

- Be careful when working around brush piles or other debris. Use a rake or long-handled tool to move brush, debris, or other materials.
- 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.



Wounded Warriors holding George, a 90 inch long Eastern Indigo Snake



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# Snakes of Fort Stewart/Hunter Army Airfield

Eastern Indigo Snake



Eastern Diamondback



Rainbow Snake



Thirty-four species of snakes have been documented on Fort Stewart/Hunter Army Airfield. The vast majority of these snakes, such as the Common Garter Snake, Common Kingsnake, Ringneck Snake, and Rough Green Snake are nonvenomous and harmless. However, six species of venomous snake are also known to occur here. Snakes play an important role in the ecosystems of Georgia. Please do not kill snakes, particularly when they are encountered away from dwellings or work spaces.



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## VENOMOUS



**Copperhead**  
(*Agkistrodon contortrix*)



**Cottonmouth**  
(*Agkistrodon piscivorus*)



**Timber Rattlesnake**  
(*Crotalus horridus*)



**Eastern Diamondback Rattlesnake**  
(*Crotalus adamanteus*)

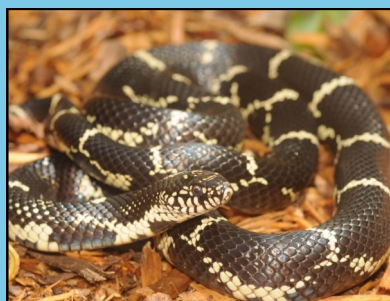


**Pygmy Rattlesnake**  
(*Sistrurus miliarius*)



**Eastern Coral Snake**  
(*Micrurus fulvius*)

## NONVENOMOUS



**Common Kingsnake**  
(*Lampropeltis getula*)



**Scarlet Snake**  
(*Cemophora coccinea*)



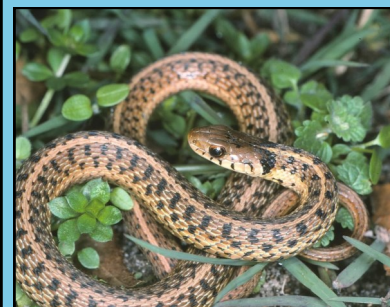
**Corn Snake**  
(*Pantherophis guttatus*)



**Yellow Rat Snake**  
(*Pantherophis obsoleta quadrivittata*)



**Black Racer**  
(*Coluber constrictor*)



**Common Garter Snake**  
(*Thamnophis sirtalis*)



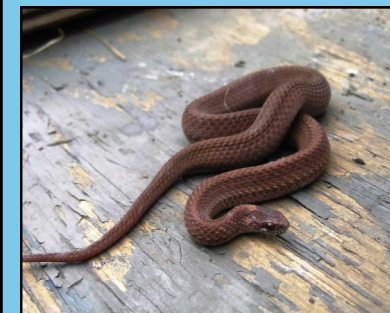
**Coachwhip**  
(*Masticophis flagellum*)



**Pine Snake**  
(*Pituophis melanoleucus*)



**Eastern Hognose Snake**  
(*Heterodon platirhinos*)



**Red-bellied Snake**  
(*Storeria occipitomaculata*)