

# TARANGIRE ECOSYSTEM REPTILE CHECKLIST



Flap-necked Chameleon (*chamaeleo dilepis*)

BoundaryHill  
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 Naitolia

Common Name	Scientific Name	Status	Location
<b>CHELONIANS</b>			
<b>Turtles, tortoise and terrapins</b>			
Leopard Tortoise	geochelone pardalis	widespread	
Spekes Hinged Tortoise	kinixys spekii	widespread	
Pancake Tortoise	malacochersus tornieri	CITES II	
Helmeted Terrapin	pelomedusa subrufa	widespread	
Pan Hinged Terrapin	pelusios subniger	widespread	
<b>LIZARDS</b>			
<b>Geckos, Skinks, Lizards</b>			
Somali-Masai Clawed Gecko	holodactylus africanus	limited distribution	
Brook's Gecko	hemidactylus brooki	widespread	
Tropical House Gecko	hemidactylus mabouia	widespread	
Tree Gecko	h'dactylus platycephalus	widespread	
Nyika Gecko	h'dactylus squamulatus		
Grzimek's Dwarf Gecko	lygodactylus grzimeki	little known	
Cape Dwarf Gecko	lygodactylus capensis	widespread	
Tuberculate Thick-Toed Gecko	pachydactylus tuberculosus	widespread	
Short Necked Skink	mabuya brevicollis	widespread	
Tree Skink	mabuya planifrons	widespread	
Striped Skink	mabuya striata	widespread	
Variable Skink	mabuya varia	widespread	
Peter's Writhing Skink	lygosoma afrum	widespread	
Sundevall's Writhing Skink	lygosoma skink	widespread	
Blue-tailed Snake-eyed Skink	panaspis megalurus	little known	
Wahlberg's Snake-eyed Skink	panaspis wahlbergii	widespread	
Boulenger's Scrub Lizard	nucrus boulengeri	widespread	
Speke's Sand Lizard	heliobolus spekii	widespread	
Southern Long-tailed Lizard	latastia longicaudata	widespread	
Yellow-throated Plated Lizard	gerrhosaurus flavigularis	widespread	
Great Plated Lizard	gerrhosaurus major	widespread	
Black-lined Plated Lizard	gerrhosaurus nigrolineatus	widespread	

<b>Agamas, Chameleons and Monitors</b>			
Red-headed Rock Agama	agama agama	widespread	
Tropical Spiny Agama	agama armata	widespread	
Flap-necked Chameleon	chamaeleo dilepis	widespread	
Kenya Pygmy Chameleon	rhampholeon kerstenii		
White-throated Savanna Monitor	varanus albigularis	widespread	
Nile Monitor	varanus niloticus	widespread	

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<b>SNAKES</b>			
Lineolate Blind Snake	typhlops lineolatus	widespread	
Peter's Worm Snake	leptotyphlops scutifrons	widespread	
Southern African Rock Python	python natalensis	Cites Appendix II	
Central African Rock python	python sebae	Cites Appendix II	
Kenya Sand Boa	eryx colubrinus	Cites Appendix II	
Brown House Snake	lamprophis fuliginosus	widespread	
Cape Wolf Snake	lycophidion capense	widespread	
Flat-snouted Wolf Snake	lycophidion depressirostre	widespread	
Semi-ornate Snake	meizodon semiornatus	widespread	
East African Shovel Snout	prosymna stuhlmanni	widespread	
Spotted Bush snake	philothamnus semivariiegatus	uncommon	
Tiger Snake	telescopus semiannulatus	widespread	
White Lipped Snake	crotaphopeltis hotambooeia	widespread	
Boomslang	dispholidus typus	widespread	
Rufous Beaked Snake	rhampiophis rostratus	widespread	
Dwarf Sand Snake	psammophis angolensis	widespread	
Olive Sand Snake	psammophis mossambicus	widespread	
Northern Stripe-bellied Sand Snake	psammophis sudanensis	widespread	
Common Egg-eater	dasypeltis scabra	widespread	
Desert Black-Headed Snake	micrelaps boettgeri	scattered	
Bibron's Burrowing Asp	atractaspis bibroni	widespread	
Egyptian cobra	Naja haje	scattered	
Black necked spitting cobra	naja nigricollis	widespread	
Black Mamba	dendroaspis polyepis	widespread	
Puff Adder	bitis arientans	widespread	
Venomous (lethal)			
Venomous (no known fatalities)			



**Cape Wolf Snake (*lycophidion capense*)**

**Recommended reference:**

**A Field Guide to the Reptiles of East Africa - Spawls, Howell, Drewes & Ashe., 2004.**



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