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Animal Fact Sheet

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Eastern brown snake

Pseudonaja textilis

Pseudonaja textilis has the unenviable distinction of causing more snakebite deaths in Australia than every other species combined, and the reason is not that its venom is the strongest — though it r…

Quick facts

Classification: Reptile
Family: Elapidae
Habitat: Grasslands, woodlands, farmlands
Diet: Carnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 7-15 years
Weight: 0.5-2 kg
Scientific name: Pseudonaja textilis

Did you know?

- Despite their dangerous reputation, Eastern brown snakes help control populations of rodents and pests in agricultural areas.
- Brown snakes lay eggs, unlike most Australian elapids' live-bearing relatives, and a female may produce 15 or more in a clutch in a disused burrow or…

What I learned

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