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Animal Fact Sheet

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Eastern Coral Snake

Micrurus fulvius

Micrurus fulvius is North America's most famous elapid and one of its least-encountered snakes. It spends most of its life under leaf litter, logs and sand in the southeastern United States, hunting …

Quick facts

Classification: Reptile
Family: Elapidae
Habitat: Sandy pine forests, hardwood forests, and scrublands
Diet: Carnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 7-10 years
Weight: 50-100 grams
Scientific name: Micrurus fulvius

Did you know?

- The Eastern Coral Snake's venom is among the most potent of any North American snake, but antivenom shortages have made treatment of bites more chall…
- The coral snake's bright bands are a textbook example of warning colouration, and the harmless snakes that copy it are the standard classroom illustr…

What I learned

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