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Animal Fact Sheet

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Eyelash Viper

Bothriechis schlegelii

Bothriechis schlegelii is a small arboreal pit viper of Central and northern South America named for the cluster of modified scales that stand up above each eye like lashes. Their function is unresol…

Quick facts

Classification: Reptile
Family: Viperidae
Habitat: Tropical rainforest
Diet: Carnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 10-16 years
Weight: 60-180 grams
Scientific name: Bothriechis schlegelii

Did you know?

- Despite their small size and delicate appearance, Eyelash Vipers can deliver a venomous bite that is potentially dangerous to humans.
- Juvenile eyelash vipers use caudal luring, twitching a contrastingly coloured tail tip to imitate a grub and draw a frog or lizard into range, then s…

What I learned

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