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Animal Fact Sheet

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Kenyan Sand Boa

Eryx colubrinus

The Kenyan Sand Boa is a small, burrowing snake native to northeastern Africa, particularly Kenya, Egypt, and surrounding regions. Characterized by its stout body, blunt head, and distinctive orange …

Quick facts

Classification: Reptile
Family: Boidae
Habitat: Dry savannas, semi-desert, and scrubland with loose, sandy soils
Diet: Carnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 15-20 years
Weight: 60-200 grams
Scientific name: Eryx colubrinus

Did you know?

- Kenyan Sand Boas can survive for months without food, thanks to their slow metabolism and energy-conserving burrowing lifestyle.
- Kenyan Sand Boas can completely burrow themselves into sand, leaving only their eyes and nose exposed. Unlike many snakes, females are significantly …

What I learned

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