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Red-sided Garter Snake

Thamnophis sirtalis parietalis

Thamnophis sirtalis parietalis stages the largest concentration of snakes on Earth. Around Narcisse in Manitoba, tens of thousands of red-sided garter snakes overwinter together in limestone sinkhole…

Quick facts

Classification: Reptile
Family: Colubridae
Habitat: Grasslands, prairies, forest edges, and wetlands
Diet: Carnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 4-6 years in the wild
Weight: 50-150 grams
Scientific name: Thamnophis sirtalis parietalis

Did you know?

- The Narcisse Snake Dens in Manitoba, Canada, host the world's largest gathering of Red-sided Garter Snakes, with tens of thousands emerging from hibe…
- The Narcisse Snake Dens draw thousands of tourists each spring, and the province built snake-crossing tunnels under the highway after roadkill counts…

What I learned

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