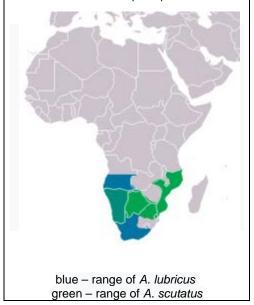
# Aspidelaps Scutatus



#### Scientific Classification

Kingdom: Anamalia
Phylum: Cordata
Class: Reptilia
Order: Squamata
Suborder: Serpentes
Family: Elapidae
Geunus Aspidelaps



#### Aspidelaps is

a genus of venomous elapid snakes endemic to Africa.

<u>Species</u> in the genus *Aspidelaps* are commonly called **shield-nosed cobras** or **coral cobras** after their cobra hoods and enlarged <u>rostral</u> (nose) scales. However, the hood is not nearly as well developed in *Aspidelaps* as it is in <u>Naja</u>.

### Venom

Aspidelaps venom is neurotoxic, and Aspidelaps bites have caused human deaths in a few cases.[1]

## $Species_{[\underline{edit}]}$

*Nota bene*: A <u>binomial authority</u> in parentheses indicates that the species was originally described in a genus other than *Aspidelaps*.

Image	Species	Authority	Subsp.*	Common name	Geographic range
	<u>A.</u> <u>lubricus</u>	( <u>Laurenti,</u> 1768)	2	Cape coral snake	South Africa (Cape Province), southern Angola, Namibia
	A. scutatus	( <u>A. Smith</u> , 1849)	3	shield- nosed cobra	Namibia, <u>Botswana</u> , <u>Zimb</u> <u>abwe</u> , north-east South Africa, <u>Mozambique</u>