



Bull Snake

Pituophis catenifer sayi

Description: Light brown with dark brown or black blotches. They grow 3–5 feet in length.

Habitat: Sandy soils in fields, brush lands, and grasslands.

Range: Central United States, central and northern Mexico, Saskatchewan, Alberta, and desert regions of British Columbia, Canada.

Natural diet: Small mammals, birds and their eggs, and lizards.

Zoo diet: Mice and rats.

Life span: 12–15 years in the wild and 20–30 years in captivity.

Behavior: Mimics the rattlesnake when threatened by shaking their tail and flattening their head into a triangular shape. Temperament varies.

Reproduction: They lay eggs, which makes them oviparous. Breeding season is March and April after emerging from hibernation. Will have 15–20 hatchlings emerge in autumn.

Conservation Status: Has not been assessed by the IUCN.

