# **CONSTRICTOR QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE**

#### COMMON NAME

#### **HEAD MARKINGS**

#### **BODY PATTERN**

### **CHARACTERISTICS**

### **PYTHONS**



Established, breeding populations; range expanding in Florida





Size: up to 12 ft. or longer Head: dark arrowhead with light center line, dark and light wedges under eyes Body: Giraffe-like spots, dark blotches not connected

African
Potentially breeding





Size: up to 12 ft. or longer Head: dark arrowhead with light center line, dark and light wedges under eyes Body: irregular dark blotches, blotches on back connected

**Reticulated** 

Individual sightings only



Size: up to 12 ft. or longer Head: light-colored with dark center line, thin dark eye stripe, reddish eyes Body: dark net-like pattern accented with white and yellow

Ball

Individual sightings only; common in pet trade

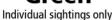


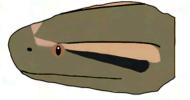


Size: usually 4 ft. or shorter Head: dark arrowhead, tan facial bands Body: rounded tan blotches on dark background

### **ANACONDAS**

Green







Size: up to 12 ft. or longer Head: top unmarked, obvious paired light and dark eye stripes Body: large, round black spots on greenish body, spots on lower sides have orange centers

Yellow

Individual sightings only





Size: up to 12 ft. or longer Head: five dark, lengthwise stripes on yellowish head Body: dark blotches on yellow back, smaller blotches on sides

### **OTHER CONSTRICTORS**

## Common or Red-tailed Boa

One breeding population in Miami-Dade County, individual sightings elsewhere





TAIL (shown in front)

Size: usually less than 10 ft. Head: light-colored, dark center line, bold dark eye stripe Body: large, tan ovals on back, large, reddish ovals on tail (tail pattern shown below body)

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