



Snakes

Goose Lake Prairie State Natural Area

Snakes listed might possible seen at Goose Lake Prairie.

Common Name	Scientific Names	Habitat	Status
Brown snake	<i>Storeria dekayi</i>	Variety of forest and prairie habitats, flood plains, and uplands, forest edges, even cultivated fields, and especially in vacant lots in cities.	Common.
Bullsnake	<i>Pituophis melanoleucus</i>	Sand prairies, grasslands, and old fields in former prairies.	Common.
Common garter snake	<i>Thamnophis sirtalis</i>	Forests and edge habitats, commonly near water. Vacant lots in cities.	Common.
Eastern hognose snake	<i>Heterodon platirhinos</i>	Forest-edge habitats and dry, open woods on clay or sandy loam; sand areas of northern counties.	Common.
Fox snake	<i>Elaphe vulpina</i>	Variety of open and former prairie habits, including intensively cultivated fields and pastures, in northern half of the state.	Common.
Norther water snake	<i>Nerodia sipedon</i>	Streams, lakes, ponds, and ditches. Commonly seen basking on rocks, logs, and other debris along shore.	Common.
Plains garter snake	<i>Thamnophis radix</i>	Former black-soil prairies, cultivated fields, pastures, wet meadows and marshes, and vacant lots.	Common.
Queen snake	<i>Regina septemvittata</i>	In and along banks of relatively unpolluted, rocky woodland streams where crayfish are abundant.	Uncommon.

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Racer	Coluber constrictor	A variety of habitats including forests, open areas, and edges of forests near open fields.	Rare
Six-lined racerunner	Cnemidophorus sexlineatus	Sand prairies, hill prairies and rocky open habitats	Rare
Slender glass lizard	Ophisaius attenuatus	Prairies, sand prairies, old fields, and dry open woodlands.	Common.
Tiger salamander	Ambystoma tigrinum	Forests, woodlands, pastures, orchards, prairies, and cities, as long as breeding ponds remain.	Common.

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