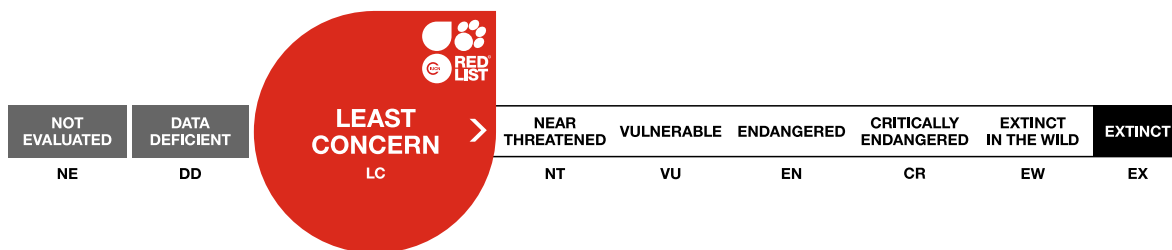


Lycophidion namibianum, Namibian Wolf Snake

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Taxonomy

Kingdom	Phylum	Class	Order	Family
Animalia	Chordata	Reptilia	Squamata	Lamprophiidae

Scientific Name: *Lycophidion namibianum* Broadley, 1991

Common Name(s):

- English: Namibian Wolf Snake

Assessment Information

Red List Category & Criteria: Least Concern [ver 3.1](#)

Year Published: 2020

Date Assessed: October 22, 2019

Justification:

Although this species is uncommonly encountered, it is broadly distributed (the extent of occurrence (EOO) is greater than the threshold for Vulnerable), its habitat is intact, and it is not subject to any known widespread threats. This species is therefore assessed as Least Concern.

Geographic Range

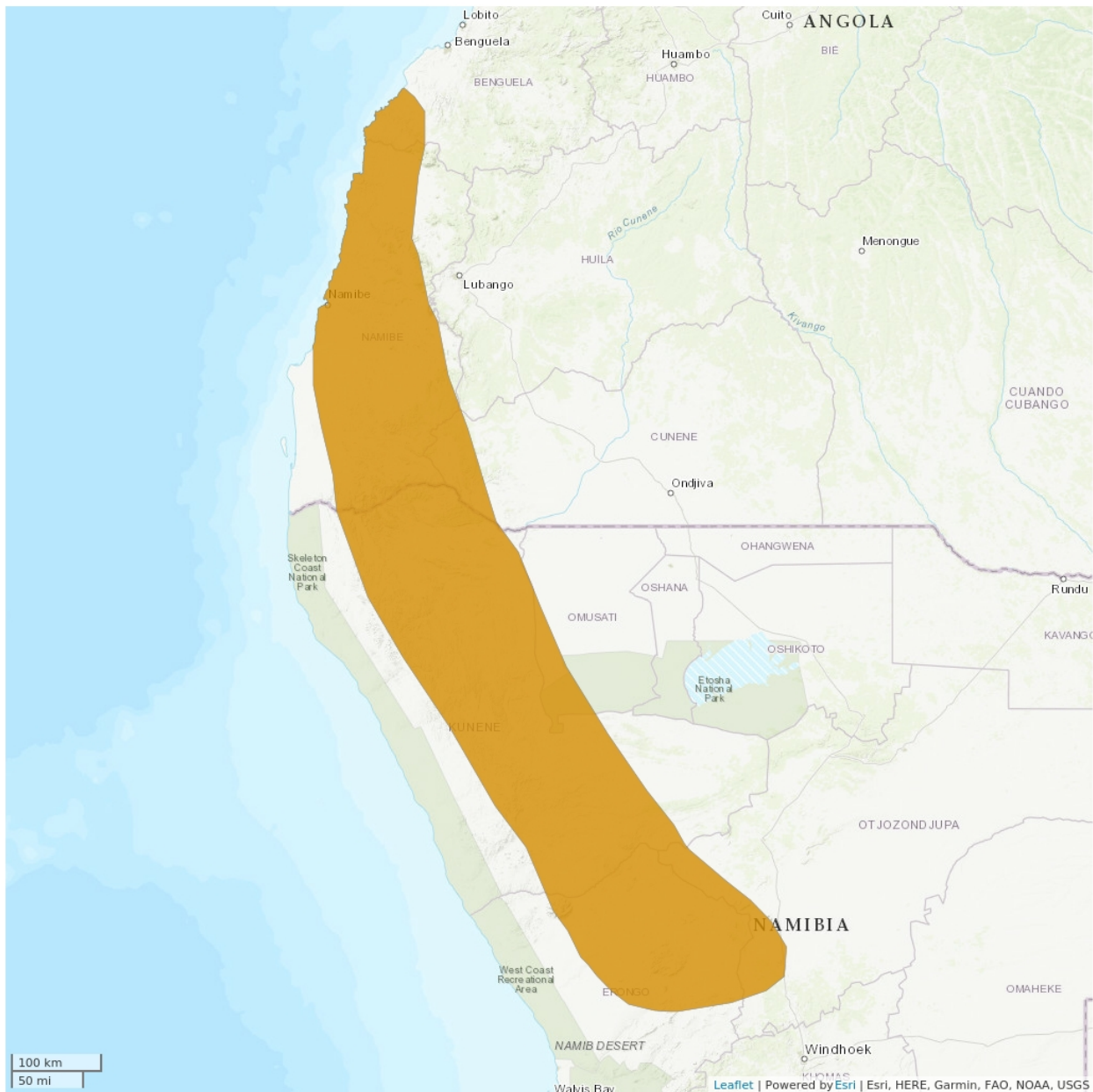
Range Description:

This species occurs in northwestern Namibia and adjacent southwestern Angola (recently recorded from Espinheira) (Branch 1998, Branch *et al.* 2019). It occurs from 500-1,500 m elevation.

Country Occurrence:

Native, Extant (resident): Angola; Namibia

Distribution Map

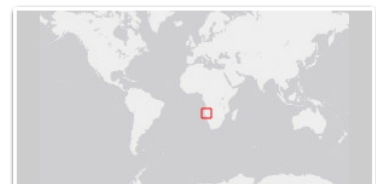


Legend

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Population

This snake is uncommonly encountered. Due to the lack of disturbance to its habitat, the population is inferred to be stable.

Current Population Trend: Stable

Habitat and Ecology (see Appendix for additional information)

This is a snake of rocky desert and savanna (Branch 1998). It hunts for geckos and other prey in rock cracks (Branch 1998).

Systems: Terrestrial

Use and Trade (see Appendix for additional information)

There is no use or trade in this species.

Threats

There are no widespread threats to this species.

Conservation Actions (see Appendix for additional information)

No species-specific measures are needed for this species. It occurs in community conservancies in Namibia and in Iona National Park in Angola.

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Appendix

Habitats

(<http://www.iucnredlist.org/technical-documents/classification-schemes>)

Habitat	Season	Suitability	Major Importance?
2. Savanna -> 2.1. Savanna - Dry	Resident	Suitable	Yes

Conservation Actions in Place

(<http://www.iucnredlist.org/technical-documents/classification-schemes>)

Conservation Action in Place
In-place land/water protection
Occurs in at least one protected area: Yes

Additional Data Fields

Distribution
Lower elevation limit (m): 0
Upper elevation limit (m): 1,500

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