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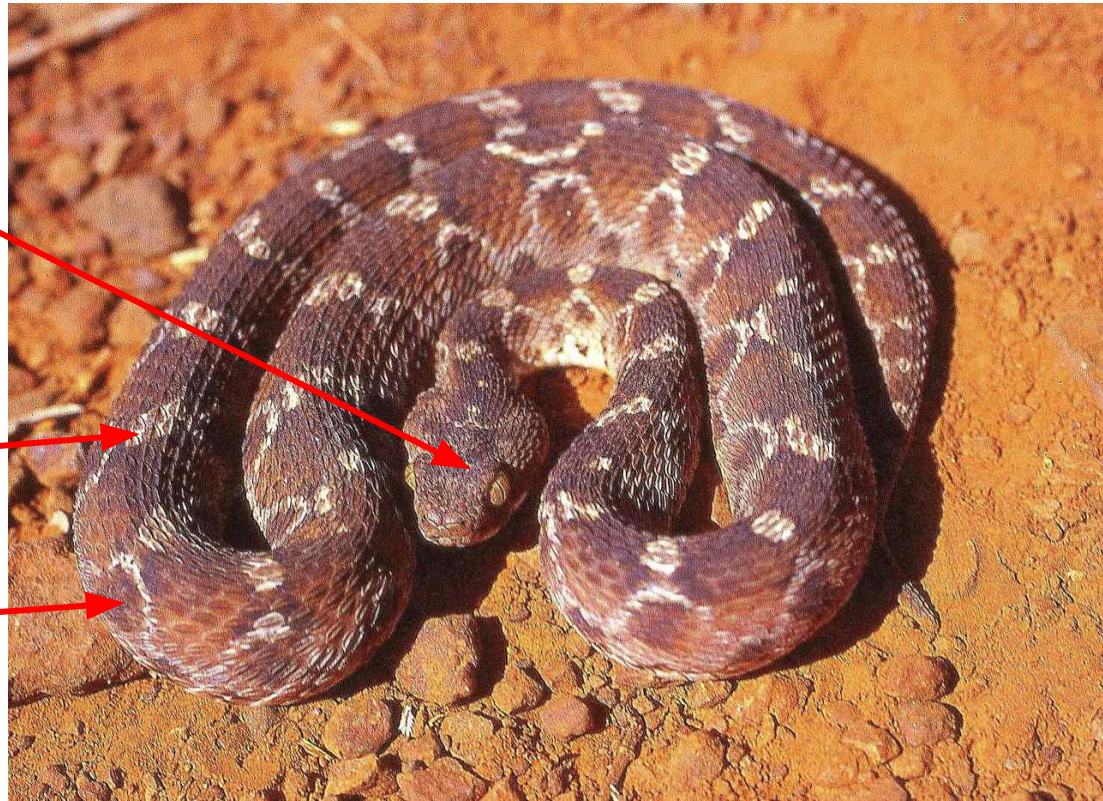
Pear shaped head covered with small scales, pale yellow irises with vertical pupils

Body color yellowish, brown, grey, or rufous

Pale oblique cross-bars with dark spaces in between

On sides, row of dark triangular or circular markings with white edging

Found in northwest and northeast Kenya



Northeast African Carpet Viper Saw-Scaled Viper

Echis pyramidum

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Dangerous with venom that damages cells and tissues, and makes your blood flow freely; active at night; a bite is a medical emergency