

Pacific gophersnake

These yellow snakes with brown spots are one of the most common found in the San Francisco Bay Area. Their round pupils, narrow head and body, and pointed tail distinguish the gopher snake from rattlesnakes, with which they are often confused! As their name implies, they do enter burrows to eat gophers, but they also eat other burrowing animals as well as birds and lizards. In the Midwest United States, these snakes are called bullsnakes, but they don't eat bulls. a D. o. D.