

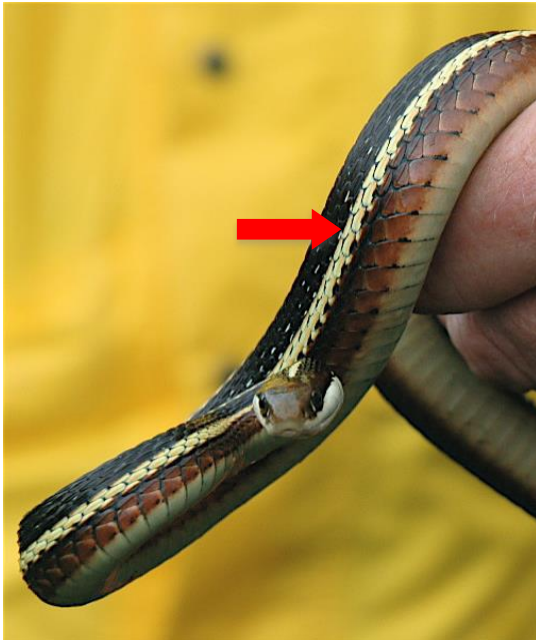
WANTED

**Photos or Information about
Eastern Ribbonsnake sightings.**
Please look carefully for these important differences.

**Eastern Ribbonsnake
(rare in Vermont)**



Bright white upper lip
Mahogany on top of head
Straight black line behind eye
Vertical white bar in front of eye



**Yellow stripes higher up on sides
(scale rows 3 and 4)**
Mahogany stripe on lower sides

**Common Gartersnake
(common in Vermont)**



Yellowish upper lip
Dark green on top of head
No black line behind eye
No vertical white bar in front of eye
Yellowish "ear" spots



**Yellow stripes lower on body
(scale rows 2 and 3)**
May or may not have mahogany stripe

We have been gathering reports of all species of reptiles and amphibians in Vermont since 1994. One of our current target species is the Eastern Ribbonsnake. At first glance, the Eastern Ribbonsnake looks like a very thin Common Gartersnake with a long and finely-tapered tail. Check for the white lips, reddish head, and mahogany stripe on the lower sides of the Eastern Ribbonsnake. Photographs, especially of the head, or clear descriptions of these and any other wild reptile or amphibian found would be appreciated. Please include dates, specific locations, and contact information with your reports and send them to:

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