

Copperhead ***Agkistrodon contortrix***

Habitat Preference: Copperheads are found in rocky, wooded river or stream valleys in southeastern Iowa.

Threats:

- Human persecution
- Habitat fragmentation
- Conversion of forest to urban development and agricultural development.

Habitat Improvement Guidelines:

- Leave any known snakes alone, they tend to be very docile creatures unless harassed.
- Maintain forest areas.
- Protect forest areas from heavy grazing.

