**Rough Green Snake**

**Native:** Southeast United States

**Predators:** cats, birds, racoons, skunk, turtles, and other snakes.

**Prey:** insects and Spiders

**Facts:**

* They are a very thin species of colubrid that can grow to be around 45 inches in length.
* Their bright green collars and yellow belly scales are perfect camouflage for the forests and marshes they are normally found in.
* Life span in the wild is 4-6 years
* Life span in captivity is 10+ years
* Non-venomous constrictors.
* They are one of the few species of snake that is truly diurnal they are active in the forest mostly in the day time. They can be seen hanging out in trees or bushes waiting for their prey.
* They are also one of the only species of snake that is a true insect eater in the wild.

**Defense Mechanisms:**

* **Camouflage**
* **Playing Dead**

**Reproduction:**

Females lay their eggs is spring they can lay up to 6 eggs in a clutch. Sometimes multiple females will lay egg in a communal nest as well.

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**Handling Tips:**

The Rough Green snakes can be a little squirmy at first. Support her weight completely and or use your hands to allow them to move upward from hand to hand.