

BOTHROPS JARARACUSSU: A NEW RECORD FOR THE MUNICIPALITY OF SÃO PAULO, BRAZIL

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Abstract - *Bothrops jararacussu* is a terrestrial snake, predominantly nocturnal, and mainly found in forested areas. Our objective was to provide the first record of *B.jararacussu* for the municipality of São Paulo, in the highland of Parque Estadual da Serra do Mar (PESM), Núcleo Curucutu. The register occurred through monthly samplings in the Núcleo Curucutu, during one year. The specimen was found in a transitional area of Atlantic upper montane forest and *Pinus* sp. reforestation. It represents a new altitude record (>800m) in a well-preserved area, reiterating the importance of this park for the maintenance of biodiversity in this municipality and evinces the region potential to house rare species in São Paulo highland.

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