

Percy the missing snake slithers home after six months



A pet snake who had been on the loose for almost six months has been reunited with his owners thanks to the Scottish SPCA.

Scotland's animal welfare charity was contacted by a resident of St. Martins Gate in Haddington, East Lothian, who discovered the black and white king snake in their kitchen on Monday (11 May).

Animal rescue officer Colin Arthur said, "I decided to knock on the other doors in the stair and it turns out the snake belongs to the finder's neighbours, who live in the flat below.

"Their snake had escaped before Christmas when he was still a hatchling and had been missing ever since.

"His name is Percy and he is now around 12 inches long. His owners were delighted to be reunited with him after all this time. It's likely Percy managed to survive for months by keeping warm near pipes and feeding on insects.

"This was a very memorable rescue and I'm glad it was such a success story."

Photo by Scottish SPCA