

Blizzard (no aka)

Most Commonly Used Name: Blizzard

Mode of Genetic Inheritance: Recessive Morph

Type: Double Mutation Compound (Amel & Charcoal)

The Blizzard corn is the finished product of combining the two recessive color mutations, Amel and Charcoal. If you pair a Blizzard with a non Blizzard, Amel, or Charcoal, in the absence of any other mutations in these snakes, 100% of the progeny will be common corns that are heterozygous for Amel and Charcoal. By then breeding two of these F¹ snakes together, you will get approximately one Blizzard for every 16 hatchlings — in addition to some wild-types, Amels, and Charcoals.

What to expect:

As hatchlings, Blizzards can be nearly patternless, mildly patterned (dirty white or cream on white or pink ground zones), or heavily patterned, but no yellow will be present. As adults, some Blizzards mature to be completely white and virtually pattern-less (although pattern is usually obvious in strong light or flash photography). Most adult Blizzards at this time show obvious yellow which is the result of carotenoid retention from diet - which slowly manifests throughout maturity. Early in corn snake herpetoculture, the majority of Blizzard corns lacked most (or all) such yellow, but through subsequent breeding to change the patterns of Blizzards, the trait for manifesting yellow was infused into many genetic families. Breeding trials are ongoing — in an effort to create family lines that are devoid of this color feature. This should result in the general appearance of white and pattern-less corns.