

Lavender Motley (no aka)

Most Commonly Used Name: Lavender Motley

Mode of Genetic Inheritance: Recessive

Morph Type: Double Mutation Compound

Eye Color: *Pink / red* pupil & *body ground colored* iris (see details below about some having Black pupils)

This double recessive mutation is the product of the color gene mutation, Lavender, and the pattern mutation, Motley. As with many Lavender morphs, eye pupils can be red/pink or black.

What to expect:

Most hatchlings are some shade of pale lavender or gray. Patterns vary from classic (orderly) Motley pattern to chaotic Motley pattern to having no Motley dorsal markings at all. With most Motley types, you can depend on the belly being devoid of the typical corn snake checkered belly, but in Lavender types (and lately, a few other morphs) some belly markings are evident. Belly markings on Lavender Motley types must be random, scarce, and non-contiguous (no checkering). Oddly, I have not yet witnessed any belly markings on Striped Lavender types (*odd* because Motley and Stripe are alleles on the same chromosomal locus).

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