

Opal (no aka)

Most Commonly Used Name: Opal

Mode of Genetic Inheritance: Recessive

Mutation Compound: Double Recessive - Lavender & Amel

Eye Color: Red pupil

Opal corns are the double recessive compound of the two color mutations, Lavender and Amel. Many Opal corns don't look very different from ordinary Snow corns, but some are what we call *bi-colors*, showing an orange or coral or pink ground color between dorsal pattern blotches. There is usually no way to determine which neonates will mature to be bi-colors, but most of ours mature to have such colors.

What to expect:

Hatchling opals are easily confused as Snow corns, and even the ones that will mature to be bi-colored will often look exactly like Snows. Most of the ones that mature to be bi-colored are actually Hypo Opals, but without knowing that for certain, we don't charge more for those. If we know they are actually triple homozygous individuals (Hypo Opals), we do charge slightly more, but those prices will be published under the compound morph name, *Hypo Opals* if/when we have them. Other than making the color bi-colorism more obvious, the extra mutation does not make them overly distinctive from those without the hypo mutation.

General Note:

While most of the snakes we produce will mature to resemble the featured adult image(s) on our web site, unlike manufactured products that are respectively identical to each other, the nature of polygenic variation results in no two specimens being exactly the same. The snake we select for you may not mature to be identical to the pictured examples, but will be chosen based on our experience of observing which neonates will mature to properly represent their respective morph. We take this responsibility very seriously, and therefore publish the guarantee that we will replace your SMR snake if it does not mature to be like our advertised examples.