

## Show & Tell



Scaleless Tessera corn snake. Until the first Scaleless Tessera hatched, we were unaware that the Tessera mutant pattern was the aggregate of pattern elements from more than one dermal layer. If the outer dermal layers (epiderm) was on this snake, it would be easily identified as a Tessera mutant, but in the absence of the epidermis, striping is overt, and usually flawlessly contiguous.