

Show & Tell



Note how little pattern contrast there is in this 2018 *Scaleless* Motley hatchling corn snake. So far, all *Scaleless* corns I've seen with "hard" markings, have not been Motley mutants, even though they had strong dorsal Motley appearance. Apparently, what we all recognize as a typical *scaled* Motley corn mutant consists of an aggregation of what you see here, in addition to the outer skin/scale dermal layers over-laying other melanin components that complete the classical Motley pattern? Even though most *scaled* Motley corns have faint or completely missing black blotch margins-that are so evident in non-mutant corns-different degrees of melanin are still elsewhere a part of the Motley pattern. SO, when the outer-most dermal layers are absent, we're left with a largely feature-less and drab snake with indistinct markings (like the *Scaleless* Motley featured toDAY)? I always say that corn snake hobby mutants don't have to POP to be POPular. If they're new, rare, and different, we just have to acquire them.