

Each DAY at 11:00 am. ct (GMT - 5) we will post a different SMR snake being offered at a special price.

All snakes will be chosen for their rarity and/or unique beauty.

FREE SHIPPING for each Snake-of-the-Day.



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ToDAY's SNAKE of the DAY (Sat. 27, 2012)

#102712

Kastanie

Male

d.o.h. 2011

24" long on October 27, 2012

\$300.00 shipped

Kastanie (no aka)

Most Commonly Used Name: Kastanie

Mode of Genetic Inheritance: Recessive

Morph Type: Single Recessive Mutation

Eye Color: Black pupil & *body ground-colored* iris

The first Kastanie to be discovered was by a German Corn Snake Breeder and teacher named Frank Schaub. The English translation of Kastanie is Chestnut. That was before the year 2000. Since that discovery, the Kastanie mutation has been bred into many other color and pattern mutations to produce beautifully-colored corn snakes. The mutation is recessive to wild type.

What to expect:

Most hatchlings are quite differently colored than their adult counterparts. Some neonatal Kastanies look like many Anery Corn Snakes, showing very little color at all. The example here is a six month-old neonate. Generally, they are anything from mahogany to mocha colored with contrasting markings against ground color zones. As they mature, they usually darken, but the color scheme seen in most non-albino corns (the first 1/4 to 1/3 of the body having more color-saturated colors) is pronounced in Kastanies.



Important Note:

These images are not renderings of the actual animals being offered, (except for uniquely offered snakes found in the SURPLUS section of this web site). We do not provide pictures of individual hatchling snakes for sale, nor do we recommend that you ever choose a new pet based on an image of its neonatal form. Corns change so dramatically from hatchling to adult, they will NEVER have the same colors or contrasts throughout maturity. 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 clones of each other, the nature of polygenic variation results in each animal being similar but not identical to others of its morph. 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 exchange your SMRsnake if it does not mature to be like our advertised examples.