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Animal Fact Sheet

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Corn Snake

Pantherophis guttatus

Pantherophis guttatus is a slender, non-venomous constrictor of the southeastern United States, and its name almost certainly comes from the bold black-and-white checkerboard on its belly, which look…

Quick facts

Classification: Reptile
Family: Colubridae
Habitat: Deciduous forests, overgrown fields, and farmlands
Diet: Carnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 6-8 years in the wild, up to 20+ years in captivity
Weight: 500-900 grams
Scientific name: Pantherophis guttatus

Did you know?

- Corn snakes can vibrate their tails rapidly against dry leaves to mimic the sound of a rattlesnake, deterring potential predators.
- Corn snakes are among the very few snakes for which detailed pedigrees exist across many generations, and combining two simple recessive genes is how…

What I learned

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