

Corn Snake

CARE SHEET

*Corn Snakes are easy to care for and make great beginner reptile pets.
Here's a basic care sheet to get you started:*



Enclosure:

- Minimum size for adults: 36" L x 18" W x 18" H (40-gallon breeder style enclosure or larger)
- Young snakes: Temporary enclosure 10-20 gallon size
- Shape: Wider than tall – terrestrial (ground-dweller) set up but they will still climb so a locking lid is essential
- Ventilation: Well-ventilated enclosure with locking screen top

Habitat:

- Substrate: Commercially available reptile-safe soil such as Reptisoil or Texas Herp Haus' proprietary blend is preferable
- Décor: Reptile-safe faux plants, and cork bark tubes and caves provide the necessary hiding places
- Rocks create various levels to assist the snake with getting closer to the heat source
- Water Dish: Shallow dish with fresh water should be accessible at all times
- Additional hiding places should be located across the enclosure so the snake can choose the right temperature to hide

Daytime Temperature:

- Cool Side of Enclosure: 70-75°F (can be slightly cooler at night)
- Hot Side of Enclosure: Basking spot should be at about 85-90°F using a ceramic heat emitter or spot lamp
- Any heat source should be regulated by a proportional thermostat (Herpstat) to prevent heat related injury or death

Humidity:

- Maintain humidity at 40-60% increasing the humidity during shedding

Lighting:

- 12-14 hours of light during the daytime hours with no light on at night

Diet & Feeding:

- We recommend frozen thawed mice as the primary food source for your corn snake
- F/T rodent must be completely thawed and warmed up using hot tap water
- Feed weekly for adults a rodent no bigger than the diameter of the middle of the snake
- Feed juvenile snakes every 4-5 days (small food source such as pinkie mice)
- Frozen rodents are commercially available at pet supply stores and reptile expos & come in all sizes
- Fresh water changed daily

Cleaning:

- Spot clean daily to remove feces or sheds
- Fully clean every 4-6 weeks, with reptile-safe disinfectant

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This is in no way meant to be a complete care guide, rather a helpful reference to get you started

