



Kopri Language: Pattern and Color Interpretation

The Kopri don’t use voices like humans do. Instead, they communicate through rapid changes in **skin color and texture** – a living language woven across their bodies.

Each **color shift** carries meaning: red might signal warning, green could mean peace, violet might express grief. But it's not just color – **ridges, bumps, and flowing textures** appear and vanish across their skin like moving braille, adding tone, emphasis, and emotional depth.

It’s a complete language, just as rich and nuanced as spoken words. The shimmer of a warning, the pulse of laughter, the flicker of doubt – it’s all written in living light and touch.

Sign/Emotion	pattern/description
Agreement <i>Green</i>	Quick rippling green flashes spreading across the mantle
Amusement <i>All colors</i>	Steady glowing multi-colors
Anger <i>Red, dark</i>	Dark red, smooth and steady
Annoyance <i>Black and gray</i>	Black and gray edging on other signs, indicating annoyance
Applause <i>Orange</i>	Flashing rhythmic orange spirals around the eyes
Comfort/Sympathy <i>Brown and blue</i>	Field of brown skin, with blue dots and streaks
Command <i>Purple, pulsing</i>	Steady deep purple, or a deep purple with pulses to black
Decisiveness <i>Purple, knobs</i>	Ring of purple knobs surrounding the eyes
Denial, innocence <i>Light Gray, nearly white</i>	Entire mantle turns white



Despair <i>Gray-Black</i>	Smooth gray-black on every part of body
Excitement <i>Violet</i>	Entire mantle glows light violet, flashing on and off with the degree of excitement
Exhaustion <i>Dark gray/black</i>	A deep gray covering the entire body, sometimes with streaks of black in random patterns
Fear <i>Jet black</i>	The entire body turns deep jet black
Greeting <i>All colors</i>	Mantle with crenulated knobs across all its surface, with rainbow colors flashing
Laughter <i>All colors</i>	All colors randomly flashing on and off in random smooth patterns across the entire mantle
Love <i>Pink</i>	Highlights edging other signs, or as a gentle glowing across the body
Names <i>Varies</i>	Patterns of light and ridges scrunched into mantles, unique to each kopri
Pain <i>Crimson Red</i>	Bright red splotches, knobs and ridges, flashing randomly, or rising as crenulations across a portion of the body, bright crimson red
Pride <i>Pink and Yellow</i>	Alternating pink and yellow rings, surrounding other signs or rippling down the mantle
Questioning <i>Orange and Turquoise</i>	Alternating bumps of orange and turquoise forming a ring around the eyes
Readiness/serenity <i>Turquoise</i>	Steady and smooth turquoise glow across the mantle
Resignation <i>Black and blue</i>	Streaks of black and blue running down mantle and tentacles
Sadness <i>Blue</i>	Dark blue crinkling skin
Silence <i>Gray, light</i>	Smooth light gray skin, featureless in every way
Smile <i>Yellow</i>	Spiraling yellow around the eyes