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Have you ever seen a cornsnake in opaque mode? As a snake grows, it will shed its old skin in one large piece. This happens 4-12 times a year depending on age/size of the snake. If a snake is dull or cloudy in appearance, that is a normal part of shedding. Milky eye appearance is also normal. Snakes do not have eyelids so there is a scale called the spectacle that helps protect the eye. They usually remain opaque for 4-7 days and shed 4-7 days after that. They may soak in water and rub their face against rougher surfaces to help remove the old skin. This is the cornsnake that lives at Edisto Beach State Park in opaque mode. [www.southcarolinaparks.com/edisto-beach](http://www.southcarolinaparks.com/edisto-beach)



**Jason Gilbert** Snakes are also a little more ornery when in shed. They don't see as well when their eyes are cloudy so they may strike at you trying to protect themselves.

at 18:47:22 on 4/09/2020 UTC



**Jude Lovas** Jennifer Lane

at 18:48:12 on 4/09/2020 UTC



**Rachel Nash** I saw one at the Carnegie Museum in Pittsburg. People thought it was cool that we were from their range.

at 18:52:02 on 4/09/2020 UTC



**Jenny Manley** Jason Gilbert correct, and I've read that it can be a tad uncomfortable for the snake to be held during shed, much like our skin shedding from a sunburn.

at 19:21:48 on 4/09/2020 UTC



**Jason Gilbert** Jenny Manley yep!

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**Karen Rogers** Not fan of snakes but that one is pretty.

at 20:34:57 on 4/09/2020 UTC



**Brittany Harrell** Jay Bussy Woodbridge

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**Trey Durham** Beautiful!

at 11:44:25 on 4/10/2020 UTC