

Gila Monsters are the only venomous lizard found in the U.S. Their venom is used for defense more than to capture dinner—they eat mostly baby mammals and bird or reptile eggs. Their venomous bite is extremely painful, and their black scales patterned with pink, orange, and yellowish hues warn animals “Don’t mess with me or you will be sorry!”

No two Gila Monsters have the same color pattern. Print out and color this lizard with pink, yellow, orange, or a combination of colors. You can even glue beads or seeds on it to make it bumpy—a Gila Monster has a “beaded” appearance.

