

Figure 2.

Jelly Belly jelly bean classification key.

The bean is...

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| 1a. yellow, orange, red, or pink | go to line 2 | 17a. purple | go to line 18 |
| 1b. blue, purple, or green, | go to line 16 | 17b. blue | go to line 19 |
| 1c. black or brown | go to line 24 | 18a. purple or lavender | Island Punch |
| 2a. yellow or orange | go to line 3 | 18b. dark or blackish purple | Grape Jelly |
| 2b. pink or red | go to line 11 | 18c. purple with spots | Plum |
| 3a. yellow | go to line 4 | 19a. bright blue | Berry Blue |
| 3b. orange | go to line 7 | 19b. dark blue | Blueberry |
| 4a. solid yellow | go to line 5 | 20a. solid green | go to line 21 |
| 4b. yellow w/ brown spots | Top Banana | 20b. green w/ spots | go to line 22 |
| 4c. yellow w/ white or yellow spots | Lemon Drop | 21a. dark green | Jalapeno |
| 4d. white w/ yellow spots | Buttered Popcorn | 21b. light or pale green | go to line 23 |
| 4e. yellow w/ green spots | Mango | 22a. dark green w/ red spots | Watermelon |
| 5a. dark yellow | Lemon | 22b. pale green w/ dark spots | Juicy Pear |
| 5b. bright or pale yellow | go to line 6 | 22c. light green w/ green spots | Margarita |
| 6a. bright yellow | Pina Colada | 23a. bright green | Green Apple |
| 6b. pale yellow | Crushed Pineapple | 23b. light green | Kiwi |
| 7a. solid orange | go to line 8 | 23c. yellow green | Lemon Lime |
| 7b. orange with red spots | Peach | 24a. black | go to line 25 |
| 8a. bright orange | go to line 9 | 24b. brown | go to line 26 |
| 8b. light or pale orange | go to line 10 | 25a. black | Licorice |
| 9a. orange, orange | Orange Juice | 25b. dull purple black | Wild Blackberry |
| 9b. creamy orange | Orange Sherbet | 25c. shiny purple black | Dr. Pepper |
| 10a. light orange | Cantaloupe | 26a. brown | go to line 27 |
| 10b. pale orange | Tangerine | 26b. light brown | go to line 28 |
| 11a. pink | go to line 12 | 26c. dark brown w/ spots | Cappuccino |
| 11b. red | go to line 13 | 27a. brown | A&W Root Beer |
| 12a. bright pink | Cotton Candy | 27b. dark brown | Chocolate Pudding |
| 12b. light pink | Bubble Gum | 28a. light brown | Caramel Apple |
| 12c. pale orange pink | Pink Grapefruit | 28b. light orange-brown | Peanut Butter |
| 12d. pink w/ red spots | Strawberry Daiquiri | 28c. pale brownish-white | Café Latte |
| 13a. solid red | go to line 14 | | |
| 13b. red w/ light spots | Sizzling Cinnamon | | |
| 13c. red w/ dark spots | Strawberry Jam | | |
| 14a. bright red | Very Cherry | | |
| 14b. red | Red Apple | | |
| 14c. dark red | go to line 15 | | |
| 15a. deep red | Raspberry | | |
| 15b. cinnamon red | Cinnamon | | |
| 16a. blue or purple | go to line 17 | | |
| 16b. green | go to line 20 | | |

** Note: Watch for new species!

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