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Animal Fact Sheet

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Argentine ant

Linepithema humile

The Argentine ant is a small, light to dark brown ant species native to South America but now found on every continent except Antarctica. It is renowned for forming massive supercolonies, sometimes s…

Quick facts

Classification: Invertebrate
Family: Formicidae
Habitat: Urban areas, forests, grasslands, agricultural lands
Diet: Omnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 1 to 2 years (workers), up to several years (queens)
Weight: 0.0004–0.001 g
Scientific name: Linepithema humile

Did you know?

- A single Argentine ant supercolony in Southern Europe stretches over 6,000 kilometers along the Mediterranean coast.
- Argentine ants form some of the largest cooperative colonies in the world, spanning entire regions. They use chemical trails to coordinate foraging a…

What I learned

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