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# Animal Fact Sheet

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# Pharaoh ant

*Monomorium pharaonis*

The Pharaoh ant is a tiny, yellow or light brown ant species known for its persistent infestations in buildings worldwide. Originating from Africa, it has spread globally due to its ability to thrive…

## Quick facts

**Classification:** Invertebrate
**Family:** Formicidae
**Habitat:** Human dwellings and heated buildings
**Diet:** Omnivore
**Conservation status:** Least Concern
**Lifespan:** 4-12 months (workers), up to 12 months (queens)
**Weight:** 0.5–2 mg
**Scientific name:** Monomorium pharaonis

## Did you know?

- Pharaoh ants can have hundreds of queens in a single colony, which makes control and elimination extremely challenging.
- Pharaoh ants can split their colonies and relocate quickly when disturbed, a process called 'budding.' They are notorious in hospitals, where they ca…

## What I learned

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