

Animal Fact Sheet

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Yellow Crazy Ant

Anoplolepis gracilipes

The Yellow Crazy Ant is a highly invasive ant species known for its erratic, frenetic movements and pale yellowish body color. Native to Africa and Asia, this ant has spread to many tropical and subtropical regions.

Quick facts

Classification: Invertebrate

Family: Formicidae

Habitat: Tropical and subtropical forests, plantations, and disturbed habitats

Diet: Omnivore

Conservation status: Least Concern

Lifespan: Several months to 1 year (workers), up to several years (queens)

Weight: 2–5 mg

Scientific name: *Anoplolepis gracilipes*

Did you know?

- Yellow Crazy Ants have caused ecological disasters on some islands by killing millions of land crabs and altering forest ecosystems.
- Yellow Crazy Ants are named for their rapid, erratic running patterns; they do not sting, but spray formic acid as a defense. Their supercolonies can...

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