



PEST SAFARI CUSTOMER EDUCATION

ARGENTINE ANTS

Tiny workers. Massive colonies. Professional control.

MEET THE INVADER



2.2–2.6 mm (about 1/10 inch)

That is the typical length of a worker Argentine ant. Workers are usually similar in size and reddish brown to dark brown.

Scientific name: *Linepithema humile*

WHY SUCH A SMALL ANT CAUSES BIG PROBLEMS

01

MANY QUEENS

Unlike many ant species, a colony can contain numerous egg-laying queens, allowing populations to grow quickly.

02

CONNECTED NESTS

Groups of nests can cooperate as a vast network. Eliminating the ants you see does not eliminate the colony.

03

CONSTANT FORAGING

Long trails lead workers to food and moisture. Changes in weather can drive more ants into buildings.

WHY QUICK SPRAYS ALONE ARE NOT THE ANSWER

A line of ants on the counter is only a small part of a much larger colony. Killing visible workers may give brief relief, while queens and other nests continue producing ants. Effective management must reach beyond the ants you can see.



Primarily a nuisance pest: Argentine ants do not have a stinger.

They are persistent invaders, but a coordinated treatment program can reduce activity.

HOW PEST SAFARI HUNTS ARGENTINE ANT COLONIES

Our technicians coordinate inspection, professional bait placement, and carefully selected non-repellent insecticide treatments. The goal is to reduce colony activity, not just kill the workers in sight.

1

INSPECT & IDENTIFY

We confirm the ant species and trace activity, travel routes, and likely nesting areas.

2

STRATEGIC BAITING

Workers feed on professionally placed bait and can carry its active ingredient back into the colony.

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NON-REPELLENT TREATMENT

Where appropriate, our technicians apply labeled non-repellent insecticides in targeted areas, alongside the bait strategy.

YOUR PART IS SIMPLE

PROTECT THE TREATMENT.

01

DO NOT USE ANY PESTICIDES INSIDE YOUR HOME while our Argentine ant control program is underway. Wait until Pest Safari confirms the infestation is under control.

02

DO NOT DISTURB OR CONTAMINATE BAIT SITES. Do not move, wipe, spray, or apply cleaning chemicals to bait placements or the ant trails leading to them.

WHAT TO EXPECT

You may see ants gathering at bait locations at first. This is part of the process. Results can take days to weeks depending on the colony and conditions. Pest Safari will assess progress and determine when treatment is complete.

Educational sources: UF/IFAS, "Argentine Ant (*Linepithema humile*)" (IN1336); UC IPM, "Ants" and "Argentine Ant: Baiting." Product selection and application follow the label and site conditions.