

# Ants of Northern Australia

Approximately 1500 species of ants occur in the monsoonal zone of northern Australia. Here are some of the common species.



**Giant foaming ant**  
*Bothroponera hera*



**Common furnace ant**  
*Melophorus fieldi*



**Forest parrot ant**  
*Paratrichina vaga*



**Black beauty ant**  
*Calomyrmex impavidus*



**Chocolate shield ant**  
*Meranoplus nijobergi*



**Native big-headed ant**  
*Pheidole sp. (minor)*



**Northern common sugar ant**  
*Camponotus novaehollandiae*



**Little black mono ant**  
*Monomorium nigrius*



**Native big-headed ant**  
*Pheidole sp. (major)*



**Angle-headed cannibal ant**  
*Cerapachys singularis*



**Giant snappy ant**  
*Odontomachus turneri*



**Savanna spiny ant**  
*Polyrhachis senilis*



**Common valentine ant**  
*Crematogaster australis*



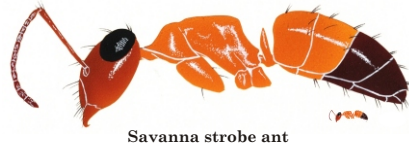
**Green tree ant**  
*Oecophylla smaragdina*



**Lesser-horned pony ant**  
*Rhytidoponera aurata*



**Northern meat ant**  
*Iridomyrmex sanguineus*



**Savanna strobe ant**  
*Opisthopsis haddoni*



**Common pennant ant**  
*Tetramorium striolatum*



**Genial killer ant**  
*Leptogenys exigua*



**Red cocktail ant**  
*Papyrius nitidus*



**Black tree ant**  
*Tetraoponera punctulata*

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Detailed Illustration



Common name  
Genus species

Actual Size