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Finding ants

Ants can live almost anywhere. They make nests in most gardens, backyards, and even city streets.

Did You Know?

Some plants such as acacia and cecropia trees provide ants with special places to live. In exchange, the ants drive away other animals that eat the plants' leaves.



Ants can get almost anywhere, from deep underground to the tops of garden plants and even tall trees.

Three garden ants struggle home from a kitchen raid. They have stolen a tiny lump of stale bread.

Some, such as the little black ant, rely on people for most of their food. They often raid houses for scraps that they carry back to their outdoor nests.

A few types of ants may even live in houses, burrowing into timber and badly weakening it. Ants are active all year round in warm countries and heated buildings, but they lie low in cold winters.

