



WORKER ANTS remove larvae from exposed part of nest. When the nest is disturbed, workers rush out to sting the interlopers. The

sting is not so painful as that of a honeybee or a wasp, but it is extremely effective when delivered by large numbers of ants.



YOUNG QUEEN ANT shown in this photograph is winged, as is the male. When the male and the queen make their nuptial flight,

they may travel as far as five miles. Four or five months after they have mated, the new colony contains more than 1,000 workers.