

**Biological Notes.** This ant is associated with three species of mealybugs, namely: *Geococcus coffeae* Green, *Geococcus associatus* Lit and *Dysmicoccus brevipes* (Cockerell). All are found on roots of *Beaucarnea recurvata* (Lem.) Heml. This was also mentioned by Lit (1992) in his description of *G. associatus*.

It is very unusual that in one location there would be three species of mealybugs. This ant might have transported these mealybugs in one place to be able to solicit honeydew from them. This observation suggests that this ant does not bother if it is the same species or not as long as it can solicit honeydew from them.

Bolton (1973) reported that species of *Strumigenys* nest in rotten wood, leaf litter, or directly into hard-packed earth. Two species of *Strumigenys* are arboreal and nest in rot-holes in the trunks and branches of low trees. The smaller species often nest in small twigs in the leaf-litter or in compressed leaf mould and are quite common in Berlese funnel samples from the forest zone.

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