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# FACT SHEET

## Singapore Ants

*Trichomyrmex destructor*

Commonly found in the Gulf and parts of Australia, Singapore Ants are an introduced species, classified as a Feral Animal by Queensland's Department of Environment and Science.

The ants are known to chew through cables, wiring, fabric and cause significant damage to vehicles and appliances.

Singapore ants typically forage for sugar, fat and protein rich foods.

Granular baits containing hydramethylnon are recommended by [Western Australia's Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development](#) to aid in controlling Singapore Ants.

[NT's Department of Primary Industry \(DPI\)](#) recommends baits containing fipronil. Most hardware stores and garden centres will stock these products, ensure when purchasing the item is suitable. Always read the label and apply only as directed.

Private pest management companies can also treat larger areas.

NT's DPI also suggest more persistent sprays such as permethrin or propoxur may be used as a long-lasting surface spray to protect electrical equipment and to provide barriers against *Monomorium* spp.

**IMPORTANT** - Treatment of electrical wiring should be carried out by a licensed pest control operator or electrician.

Contact your local pest management provider for more information.

