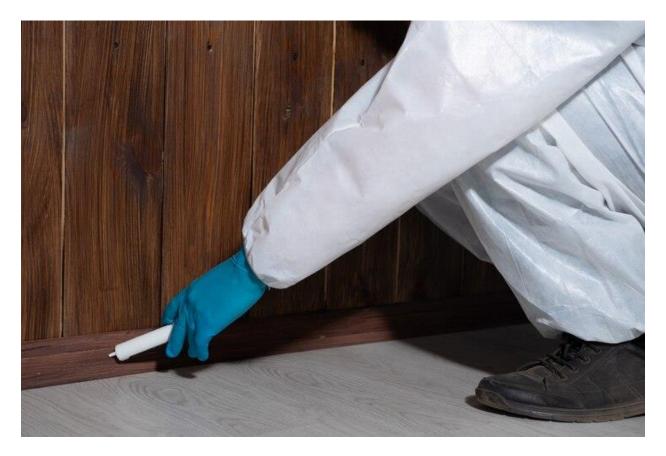
Little Known Facts about Termites



We are all aware of the destructive nature of termites. Termite infestation can cause severe damage to your property and give a big blow to your financial stability. Termites are located around the globe with the exception of Antarctica. They are known as silent killers because they operate silently and secretively and before you know it cause severe damage to your property. If you reside in urban areas like Bangalore then the wisest decision that you can take in case of termite infestation is to call termite control services in Pune.

It is advisable to call <u>pest control services</u> as soon as you spot even one of these pesky insects because they always come in large numbers and stay hidden until they have drastically destroyed your wooden furniture, doors, and windows. But the best way to tackle these pests is to know more about them. Underestimating an enemy can be a huge disadvantage. Let's discuss some of the little-known facts about them.

- There are more than 3106 species of termites around the world and more than 200 species are known to cause severe damage to human property.
- Termites are a 'eusocial' organism which means they have a highly organized society of their own.
- They have certain defining characteristics like caring for their young and protecting them against danger, division of labor in the community, and overlapping generations.



- These insects are often called 'white ants' but actually they have close linkage with cockroaches and are very different from ants.
- Termites have existed on this planet for more than 250 million years and for every human there are approximately 454kgs of termites on Earth. Yuck!!
- Termite colonies are often invaded by ants and ants are the main predators of termites.
- The caste system is a dominant part of the termite community. Their labor system is divided into 3 castes, the workers, the soldiers, and the reproductive. And only the reproductive class has the power to see.
- Most termites do not have sight so they communicate with each other by secreting pheromones and through their antennas.
- Termites are skilled architects that can build huge mound-like structures. These mounds in Africa and Australia are so big that some of them have been turned into tourist attractions.
- Every termite belongs to a certain colony and each colony has its own queen. The queen is protected by the soldier termites and each & and every food that comes to the queen is first tested and then given to her.
- Termites can easily recognize another intruding termite from another colony because every colony has its own distinguishing odor.
- Termites have tremendous work ethics because they can work all day long for their entire lives until they die.