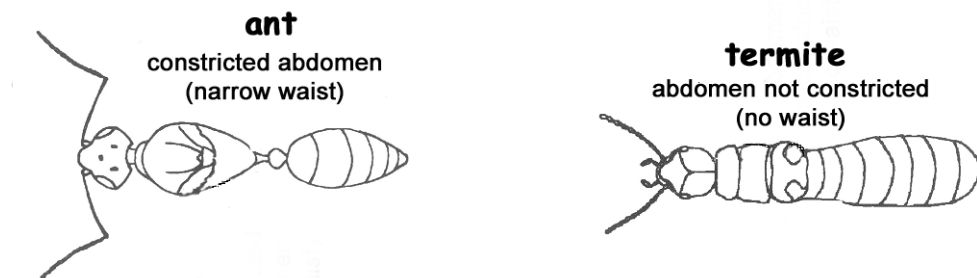


Termite Identification

ANTS vs. TERMITES

Termites have sometimes been called “white ants”. They may appear somewhat similar in appearance but they are actually not very closely related. In fact termites are more closely related to cockroaches than they are to ants. But if you are ever in question about which you might be dealing with, here are some ways you can distinguish between the two.

- 1) **Body:** The abdomen or waist area of an ant is constricted but it is not in the termite.



- 2) **Wings:** In order to distinguish between a winged ant and a winged termite look at the wings. A winged ant will have a set of two wings, and one will be much smaller than the other. In termites however, the two wings will be similar in size.



- 3) **Antenna:** If you look closely at the antennae of ants they will appear bent, or elbowed. The antennae of termites are not elbowed; they are straight.

