NUPTIAL FLIGHT CALENDAR

Andorra

10 species with a care sheet, and the months their queens fly.



SPECIES	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	TIME OF DAY	WEATHER
Camponotus herculeanus Hercules ant					■	■							Evening	☼ 💧
Camponotus ligniperda Brown-black carpenter ant					■	■							Afternoon	☼ 💧
Camponotus cruentatus Blood-spotted sugar ant						■	■						Night	☼ 🍃
Formica fusca Silky ant						■	■	■					Afternoon	☼
Formica sanguinea Blood-red ant						■	■	■						
Tetramorium caespitum Pavement ant						■	■	■					Morning	
Temnothorax unifasciatus							■	■					Morning	
Lasius alienus							■	■	■					
Lasius flavus Yellow meadow ant							■	■	■				Afternoon	☼ 🍃
Myrmica rubra European fire ant								■	■					🍃

How to spot a flight

1. Flights start on warm, calm days, often the first sunny afternoon after rain.
2. Look on pavements, walls and lawns: winged queens and males pour out of small holes, with workers rushing around them.
3. Queens that have lost their wings have mated: those are the ones to collect for a new colony.
4. Check your local rules first, and only take a few queens: most species fly over several days.

Beginner · After rain · Hot days · Humid air · Calm weather

Months for temperate Europe and the Mediterranean. The weather decides the exact days, so flights can come earlier or later where you live.