FACTS
• Formosan termite damage is $1 billion a year in the United States!
• Native to Taiwan and China, not native to Florida.
• An invasive subterranean termite with underground “hidden” habits.
• Will eat anything containing cellulose including:
  » Plants, Trees, Paper, Wood Construction
• Form carton nests and foraging tubes in trees and structures.
• Need and thrive on MOISTURE!

COLONIES
• May contain up to 1 million individuals.
• Have a caste systems that include workers, queens, and soldiers.
• Homeowners may see the winged reproductive termites (alates) swarm from May to July. They are attracted to lights at dusk when weather is calm, humid, and warm.
• Once mature, queens can lay up to 3,000 eggs a day!
• Soldiers comprise up to 20% of the colony which can help in identification.

Roll out the “Unwelcome Mat” to FORMOSAN TERMITES!
WHAT YOU CAN DO

• Have annual inspections conducted by a licensed Pest Control Company.
• Extend gutter and drainage systems at least one foot away from homes.
• No landscaping or woodpiles within one foot of the home foundation.
• Do not remove or disturb treated soil directly around home foundation.
• Direct sprinklers away from the home.
• Repair cracks and holes in foundation and around the exterior of the home.
  » 3/64" of an inch is all that’s needed for a termite to invade!
  » Stucco and exposed wood should be 6 inches from the soil line.
• Repair any leaks in and around the home immediately, especially around windows and plumbing.

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