



Hi! Artie the Antlion here — welcome to your new antlions! Here's everything you need to set them up and keep them happily digging.

SETUP IN 5 STEPS

1. Open the shipping container indoors, away from direct sun.
2. Fill the habitat with fine, dry sand about 1–2 inches deep — use the sand from your kit, or any clean, dry play sand.
3. Give each antlion about two square inches of space so every one has room for its pit.
4. Gently release each antlion onto the sand — they won't bite, and they'll burrow fast.
5. Within a day you'll see their famous cone-shaped pits appear.

CARE

Feed each antlion one or two small ants (or pinhead crickets / flightless fruit flies) once a week — that's all they need, so no reason to feed more often. Drop the prey near the pit and watch the ambush. They get their moisture from their prey, so keep the sand dry; a light mist around the pit every couple of weeks is fine but optional (damp sand ruins the pit-trap). Room temperature, out of direct sun — that's it. Antlions are wonderfully low-maintenance.

WATCH THEM HUNT

An ant slips into the pit, the antlion flicks sand to trigger a tiny landslide, and dinner is served — the best show in the insect world. Full guide + videos: antlionfarms.com/antlion-care

TROUBLESHOOTING

- No pit yet? Give it a day or two, and make sure the sand is fine and dry.
- Pit keeps collapsing? The sand may be damp — let it dry out.
- Can't find your antlion? They freeze and blend into the sand — look closely near the bottom of the pit.
- Not eating? Offer smaller prey and try again in a few days; they fast between meals.

LIVE-ARRIVAL GUARANTEE

If your antlions don't arrive alive and well, email hello@antlionfarms.com within 48 hours of delivery with your order number and a photo, and we'll make it right. Full details: antlionfarms.com/live-arrival-guarantee