



FRIDAY ENVIRONMENT FORUM

NPA Environment Centre

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Termite Mounds Come in All Shapes and Sizes



Termite mounds are a prominent feature of the northern Australian landscape. Just like our own homes these structures come in different shapes, sizes and colours. There is a lot more to these towers of soil and spit than meets the eye and at **Noosa Parks Association's Friday Environment Forum on May 31, Laguna Pest Control owner and termite sleuth Jay Turner** will enthral the audience with his stories of termite architecture. Mr Turner is a self-confessed termite mound addict. "I take every opportunity to travel Australia in search of these weird and wonderful feats of nature" he says.

Every mound is different, each one individually designed and built by these social little creatures. Of all the world's termite species over 200 live in Australia, but only a small number of these are destructive. As much as homeowners loathe termites, you can't help but be impressed by the architectural prowess of such a small insect. Armed with a myriad of photos from his travels through the

Pilbara, the Top End, Central Queensland and Cape York, he will provide an insight into the fascinating variations created by these "ecosystem engineers".

Jay's previous talks have been very popular so join the audience at the Environment Centre, 5 Wallace Drive Noosaville from 10am for morning tea with the forum **commencing at 10.30am and finishing at 12.15pm.**

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To join the Interpretive Birding walk before the forum, meet Valda in the car park at 8.30am.

