

Tom's Pest Control Melbourne Promotes Sustainable Approaches to Managing Rat Populations

Greener pest control methods help Melbourne homes and businesses manage rodents while reducing environmental impact.

MELBOURNE, VIC, AUSTRALIA, November 25, 2025 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Melbourne's skyline is rising fast, but so is its rat population. Every year, residents report more sightings in alleys, roof voids, and commercial food areas. Warm winters and constant construction provide rats with warmth, food, and shelter. Tom's [Pest Control Melbourne](#) is taking a sustainable approach to the problem, helping property owners manage infestations responsibly while protecting the environment.



Why Rodents Are on the Rise

Rats and mice thrive where humans create waste. The city's restaurant boom, dense housing, and expanding transport network give them endless feeding zones. Food scraps in bins, pet bowls left outdoors, and cluttered storage spaces all attract activity.



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A spokesperson from Tom's said, "We receive rodent reports from every postcode. Suburbs once considered low-risk, such as Doncaster and Essendon, are now experiencing infestations. Roof rats in particular are climbing power lines and nesting above ceilings."

These rodents reproduce quickly. A single pair can generate hundreds of offspring in one year, making early action essential.

Rodents contaminate food and surfaces with bacteria such as salmonella and leptospira. They chew wiring, insulation, and water pipes, which can cause fires or flooding. For restaurants, one rodent sighting can trigger a health inspection and potential closure.

Homeowner Claudia Marino from Coburg shared her experience. “We began hearing scratching in the walls. I tried traps, but they never worked.

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inspected our roof space, found droppings, and sealed a gap near the air-conditioning vent. They installed monitored bait stations and checked back twice. The noises stopped within days.”



Pest Control Experts in Melbourne

Why Sustainable Control Matters

Traditional poisons often harm non-target animals such as pets or native birds. Melbourne councils have reported secondary poisoning of wildlife when rodents eat bait and wander outdoors. Tom’s avoids this risk by using Integrated Pest Management (IPM), which combines prevention, monitoring, and safe treatment.

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The company’s technicians begin each job with a full site assessment. They check roof cavities, subfloors, and garden areas for signs of gnawing, burrows, and grease marks. Once they understand the scale of the problem, they apply the minimum necessary treatment for maximum effect.

Prevention Through Design and Maintenance

Tom’s Pest Control educates clients about environmental management. Proper waste storage, regular cleaning, and structural maintenance form the foundation of lasting results. They encourage property owners to:

Keep garbage bins closed and clean.

Seal gaps around pipes, vents, and doors.
Store animal feed and grain in sealed containers.
Trim vegetation and remove clutter near walls.

Routine inspection is equally important. The company's pest control programs include quarterly visits where technicians review bait activity and building integrity.

The Technology Advantage

Modern equipment is making rodent control smarter. Tom's uses digital sensors that send alerts when bait stations are triggered. This allows faster response times and reduces unnecessary site visits.

Thermal cameras and motion detectors help identify hidden nests without invasive drilling. "Technology lets us target problems precisely," the spokesperson said. "It cuts chemical use and improves safety for pets and families."

Rodents and Other Pests

Unchecked rodent activity often attracts secondary pests like fleas and mites. Gnawing damage to wood or plumbing can also create conditions that lead to termite infestations. Tom's offers integrated [termite treatment in Melbourne](#) alongside its rodent control programs, providing complete protection for homes and businesses.

"Many customers think of rodents and termites separately," the spokesperson said. "In reality, both thrive in similar conditions—moisture, warmth, and hidden cavities. We often treat both issues on the same property."

A City-Wide Responsibility

The company believes Melbourne's rodent issue requires shared responsibility between homeowners, councils, and businesses. They partner with body corporates and commercial landlords to coordinate building-wide inspections and sanitation standards.

"Pest control is most effective when everyone participates," the spokesperson said. "One neglected bin area can undo the work of ten careful neighbours."

About Tom's Pest Control Melbourne

Tom's Pest Control Melbourne delivers safe, environmentally responsible pest management services across Victoria. The licensed technicians offer comprehensive pest control solutions with specialised expertise in termite treatment and [rodent control in Melbourne](#), serving residential, commercial, and industrial clients. In addition to these core services, they cater to a wide range of other domestic and commercial pest problems, including ants, spiders, cockroaches, fleas, bed bugs, birds, silverfish, and more. Focusing on prevention, the team combines thorough inspections, client education, and modern monitoring tools to achieve lasting results. With a strong commitment to sustainability and public health, the company continues to set the benchmark for responsible pest control in Melbourne.

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