

We have a choice. It's the pests versus the birds, lizards and insects that make the Hibiscus Coast so special.

Something will die.

Without predator control, rats, stoats and possums will continue to destroy our native birdlife and ruin our wild places for future generations.

But together we won't let that happen.

A Vision for the Hibiscus Coast:

"A safe, healthy habitat for native plants and animals, transitioning from sanctuaries at Tiritiri Matangi and Shakespear, along the peninsula and surrounding area, enjoyed and cared for by the community."

We are committed to the nationwide goal of Predator Free 2050.

HOW YOU CAN DO YOUR BIT:

1. Set a rat trap in your backyard:
 - On long term loan from the project
 - Pet-safe, humane, easy
 - Visit our website for more information.
2. Involve your neighbours or community group, it's more effective to do this together.
3. Become a Pest Free Boatie! Protect the Hauraki Gulf islands from travelling pests.
4. Trap possums - borrow or buy a trap from us.
5. Get more involved - there is a role for everyone.
 - Join our team and learn how to look after a line of traps on a reserve
 - Help with events
 - Support neighbourhood groups.
6. Support Hibiscus Coast Forest & Bird:
 - Buy your rat bait from us
 - Hold fundraising events
 - Become a member of Forest & Bird.
7. Business sponsorship. Ask us how you can help protect the Hibiscus Coast environment.



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Bellbird korimako
Black Stallion Photography

The Hibiscus Coast lifestyle has a strong connection to nature. We are part of it, we are out there enjoying it together. Bird-song filled bush walks at Shakespear, exercising at Orewa Estuary, boating in the Hauraki Gulf, relaxing on beaches. We love it and want to protect it, but...

WHAT IF THE FOREST'S FELL SILENT?



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Unable to defend themselves and found nowhere else in the world

40%

of the bird species found here on the Hibiscus Coast are in trouble.



Fantail piwakawaka. Anna Arrol.

WE PROTECT THE BIRDS

Hundreds of people in your community are putting a stop to the damage done by pest animals on the Hibiscus Coast, it's time for you to join them.

Stanmore Bay by Top View Photography.

IMAGINE...

the clear, liquid song of korimako filling your garden. A piwakawaka following your steps as you walk down the track to the bush, which is filled with nikau, pūriri and colourful kōwhai. There's a flash of green as a pair of kākāriki fly past, chattering as they go. The children are fascinated by the skinks which bask in the sun. On the beach, safe from predators, dotterels feed their chicks. As night falls, kororā waddle out of the surf to their nests, and kiwi calls fill the air.

You can help make a Pest Free Hibiscus Coast a reality by controlling rats, stoats and possums today.

We live in a unique location, with the privilege of having the taonga of Shakespear Open Sanctuary, Tiritiri Matangi Island and the Hauraki Gulf islands on our doorstep. The Coast is home to 50 species of native birds, and nine species of reptile. The birds and bush are part of our culture, and our national identity.

BUT WHAT IF THEY WERE UNDER THREAT?

Rats, stoats and possums wreak havoc on our wildlife and are damaging our natural taonga. We are the kaitiaki of the Hibiscus Coast. This is a perfect place to eradicate pest animals, because the peninsula can be defended against re-invasions.

Looking after nature is a responsibility we all hold – let's not allow any more losses on our watch!

PESTS VS BIRDS		RATS:	ARE ON 94% OF NZ LAND
INTRODUCED PREDATORS KILL MORE THAN 100 MILLION NATIVE BIRDS, EGGS AND CHICKS EVERY YEAR ACROSS THE COUNTRY. THIS DEVASTATION HAPPENS EVERYWHERE, INCLUDING RIGHT HERE IN YOUR BACKYARD.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Eat native birds, eggs, chicks, snails, lizards, weta, larvae, and the seeds, fruit and flowers of native plants and trees. - Compete with native species for food. - Breed VERY quickly. - Spread diseases such as leptospirosis, which can be transmitted to humans, as well as contaminating water, food and household surfaces. - Cause millions of dollars of damage to property each year. They chew through pipes and electrical cables, causing flood and fire. 	
THESE PESTS DON'T BELONG HERE AND THEY HAVE TO GO BEFORE IT'S TOO LATE.			
POSSUMS:	10 EAT 1 TONNE OF BUSH/YEAR		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cause significant damage to forests, killing native trees. - Compete with native species for seeds and fruit. - Eat native birds, eggs and chicks as well as native insects. - Damage fruit trees and gardens and pose a threat to farming as carriers of bovine tuberculosis. 		STOATS:	KIWI killers
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Voracious predators of ground nesting birds, eggs and chicks. - Agile climbers and swimmers that travel great distances. - Without protection, most kiwi chicks are killed by stoats. 	