

D-RAT BUSH TRAPPING SYSTEM

A visual guide for best practice when using the D-Rat trap range outdoors and on trap lines.

Fact: The Ship rat - *R. Rattus*, the most abundant and destructive rat in the NZ bush have been reported to spend 70-80% of their lives arboreal (living elevated in trees) where it is safe for them and with access to plenty of food.

When tree trapping, position you trap at least 1.2 meters above the ground level. Around chest height is a good target.

Small branches, thumb width work really well, ideally with some leaf cover above and beside. Use the supplied releasable cable tie to attach.

The best areas to put a trap line are along streams, tracks and ridges. Place one trap every 30-40 metres. Clear and rebait your trap weekly to start with. Once the numbers come down you can reduce your trapping frequency accordingly. Use a waxy, crunchy peanut butter – a drop of vanilla flavoured essence makes it irresistible.

THE TRAPS:

D-RAT PRO: Vertical set

Why? This trap is highly effective when vertically set at height, making it easy to use and ideal for large scale operations. With its open geometry shroud, rats and mice feel at ease when interacting with the trap. Like all D-Rat traps it can be cleared, rebaited and reset in seconds making it a low effort, highly efficient system.



D-RAT Supervisor: Multi angle set:

Why? This trap has an extended shroud and safety lock. It enables it to be set at shallower angles, protecting and keeping bait fresh. The built in safety lock feature stops any interference from possums and high wind - where the traps can be set off in sensitive mode when targeting mice.



D-RAT MAX: Horizontal ground set:

Why? A super safe lightweight tunnel trap with safety lock which only allows access to rats and mice making it safe to use at low levels and on the forest floor. With all the features of the D-Rat pro the Super MAX is an efficient, easy to clean substitute for the traditional wooden box.



90°
70°
Set angle

80°
30°
Set angle

30°
0°
Set angle