

PEST CONTROL SOLUTIONS FOR BIRDS

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Not until Alfred Hitchcock came along with "The Birds" in 1963 did people commonly view birds as creatures that needed their own method of pest control.



Birds were considered beautiful beings that soared through the sky, much to our awe and envy. And yes, they can be beautiful in small numbers.

However, when birds start to overrun your home and community, they can quickly become a nuisance that must be eliminated with the help of a pest control service. Bird infestations can occur in urban areas and can affect commercial buildings, food distribution centers and multi-family housing units, creating health and structural risks as well as becoming a nuisance to people who live and work in these places. If a large bird population has moved into your home or commercial building, a professional exterminator may be needed to move them back out.

Common Bird Problems

Pigeons, sparrows, crows, starlings, swallows and gulls are the most common problem birds, particularly in urban areas. Pigeons, especially, are notorious for their persistence in heavily populated communities, where ample food sources are available. Pigeon removal is the most widely requested out of all the bird control services.

While most people consider birds more of a nuisance than a harmful pest, in large numbers

they can pose a health risk to humans. Fleas, ticks, mites and many more ectoparasites tend to thrive in areas where birds nest and leave their droppings. Bird infestations can also cause contamination of air ducts when they are nesting. This will create the need for your air ducts to be thoroughly cleaned and sanitized to prevent health issues.

A bird infestation can also indicate a need for other pest control services, such as rodent extermination, as rodents may also have access to building entry points.

Pest Control Methods for Birds

When dealing with a large bird infestation, it's advisable to bring in a professional pest control service rather than address the problem yourself. An important thing to note before attempting any kind of pest control on your own is the law.

For this reason, among others, pest control for birds is different than regular methods. An experienced green pest control company is the best way to eliminate nuisance birds from your home or business, as they will take a holistic approach that includes pest prevention as well as removal, causing minimal harm to you or the environment.

Bird pest control services tend to include:

- Bird and nest removal.
- Bird and nest relocation.
- Feces removal.
- Pressure washing and decontamination of the area.
- Bird exclusion.
- Bird deterrents, such as spikes, motion sensors, and visual and audio deterrents.

Other services commonly required with bird infestations are air duct cleaning and property maintenance services. These are important factors that many need in addition to bird removal and relocation services in order to facilitate a healthy environment.

If birds are becoming a burden in your life and you feel that your health or property is at risk, then it is time to take the appropriate pest prevention measures. An important part of contacting an extermination service is asking how long they have been in business and what their pest prevention methods are.