

Protecting Pets From Poisonous Plants

PVMA FACT SHEET



Most people think of pesticides or other common household substances can be poisonous to pets but don't consider that common indoor and outdoor plants and fruit leaves can be equally toxic. What follows is not a comprehensive list but can help you keep your pets safe around plants that can harm them. If you suspect that your pet has ingested any toxic substance, contact your veterinarian, emergency animal clinic, or poison control center immediately. Keep these important numbers by the phone or on the refrigerator so that you can find them easily during an emergency.

ASPCA Animal Poison Control: 1.888.426.4435 | Pet Poison Helpline: 1.800.213.6680

Symptoms of Plant

Poisoning

drooling
diarrhea
lethargy
seizures
unconsciousness
irritation of skin and/or mouth
vomiting

List of Poisonous Plants

aloe vera
amaryllis
ambrosia mexicana
american holly
apple (seeds, leaves)
apricot (pit, leaves)
asparagus fern
autumn crocus*
avocado (fruit, pit)
azalea*
baby's breath
begonia
black laurel
black walnut
bleeding heart
bittersweet
bird of paradise
brackenfern
branching ivy

burning bush
buttercup
caladium
calla lily
carolina maple
castor bean*
ceriman
chamomile
cherry (leaves, pits)
christmas rose
cineraria
clematis
coleus
cordatum
corn plant
cornstalk plant
croton
chrysanthemum
cycads*
cyclamen
daffodil
dahlia
daisy
diffenbachia/dumb cane
dracaena/dragon tree
elephant ear
eucalyptus
fiddle-leaf fig
foxtglove*
garlic

geranium
holly (berries)
hops
horsetail
hyacinth
hydrangea
iris
ivy, all varieties
jerusalem cherry
juniper (needles, berries)
kalanchoe*
lamb's quarters
larkspur
laurel
lemon
lily*, all varieties
lily of the valley*
lime
lupine
marijuana
milkweed
mistletoe
morning glory
mushroom* (some)
narcissus
nightshade
oleander*
peach (leaves, pits)
peony
periwinkle

philodendron
plum (pit, leaves)
pointsetta
poison hemlock
poison ivy
poison oak
poison sumac
poppy
portulaca
potato plant (leaves, sprouts)
primrose
rhododendron*
rhubarb* (leaves)
ribbon plant
sago palm*
skunk cabbage
string of pearls
tansy
tobacco
tomato (green fruit, stems, leaves)
tulips
weeping fig
winterberry
wisteria
yew*

*Denotes highly toxic: Contact your veterinarian or emergency animal clinic immediately if your pet ingests these plants.



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