

Poisonous Plants for Small Pets

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The following plants are all dangerous to some degree. Some, like oleander and Dieffenbachia (dumb cane) can cause death almost instantly. Others may cause only a mild reaction, but it is still best to remove them from any areas where they would be in contact with your pet.

This is not a complete list, so if you are in any doubt about the safety of plants that you have, please contact your veterinarian or the poison control center. The ASPCA National Animal Poison Control Center hotline numbers are as follows:

- 1-900-443-0000 (\$60.00 per case). The charge is billed directly to the caller's phone.
- 1-888-4ANI-HELP or 1-888-426-4435 (\$60.00 per case). The charge is billed to caller's credit card only.



Plants Dangerous for Small Animals:

Air plant		
Amanita		
Amaryllis		
American		
yew		
Andromeda	Elderberry	Mistletoe
Arum lily	Elephant's ear	Mock orange
Autumn	English ivy	Monkshood
crocus	English yew	Moonseed
Australian	Ergot	Morning glory
flame tree	Eucalyptus	Mountain
Avocado	Euonymus	laurel
Azalea	False hellebore	Mushrooms
Balsam pear	False henbane	Narcissus
Baneberry	Flame tree	Navy bean
Bird of	Felt plant	Nettles
paradise	Firethorn	Nightshades
Bishop's	Four O'Clock	Oak
weed	Foxglove	Oleander
Black laurel	Ghostweed	Panda plant
Black locust	Glottidium	Parsley
Bloodroot	Golden chain	Peires
Bluebonnet	Ground cherry	Pencil tree
Blue-green	Johnson grass	Periwinkle
algae	Heliotrope	Philodendrons
Boxwood	Hemlock	Pigweed
Bracken fern	Henbane	Pikeweed
Broad beans	Holly	Poinciana
Broomcorn	Honeysuckle	Poinsettia
grass	Horse bean	Poison ivy

Buckeye	Horse chestnut	POISON OAK
Buckthorn	Horsetail	Pokeweed
Bulb flowers	Hyacinth	Potato
Burdock	Hydrangea	Precatory
Buttercup	Indian licorice	Privet
Cacao	Inkberry	Pyracantha
Camel bush	Indian turnip	Rain tree
Castor bean	Iris	Ranunculus
Caladium	Jack-in-the-pulpit	Rape
Calla lily	Java bean	Rattlebox
Candelabra tree	Lima bean	Rattlebush
Cardinal	Jasmine	Red maple
Castor Bean	Jerusalem cherry	Rhubarb
Chalice vine	Jimsonweed	Rhododendrons
Cherry tree	Juniper	Rosary peas
Chinaberry tree	Kentucky coffee tree	Sandbox tree
Christmas candle	Lantana	Scarlet runner
Clematis	Larkspur	Skunk cabbage
Cocklebur	Laurel	Sorghum grass
Coffee	Leucotho	Sorrel
Coffee bean	Lily-of-the-valley	Spindle tree
Coral plant	Lima bean	Snowdrop
Coriander	Lobelia	Snow on the mountain
Corncockle	Locoweed	Spurges
Cotton bush	Lords and ladies	Sudan grass
Coyotillo	Lupine	Sweet pea
Cowslip	Malanga	Tansy ragwort
Crown of thorns	Mandrake	Tobacco
Cutleaf	Marijuana	Thornapple
Daffodil	Maternity plant	Vetch
Daphne	Mayapple	Virginia bower
Datura	Meadow saffron	Virginia creeper
Deadly amanita	Mescal bean	Wattle
Death camus	Mexican breadfruit	White cedar
Delphinium	Mexican poppy	Wisteria
Devil's ivy	Milk vetch	Yam bean
Dieffenbachia	Milkweed	Yews
Dutchman's breeches		Yellow jasmine
Eggplant		

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