



POISONOUS PLANTS AND SAFE PLANTS

Keep all plants away from small children. Teach children never to eat unknown plants.

Different parts of the plant are poisonous. Phone the Poison Control Center before treating a child who has eaten a plant.

Follow their directions. Keep an unexpired bottle of syrup of ipecac in your first aid kit if your policy allows. Use it **only** if the Poison Control Center or physician tells you to make a child vomit. In some cases, vomiting may worsen the situation and increase the risk of severe health consequences.

POISONOUS PLANTS

Flower Garden Plants

Autumn Crocus
Bleeding heart
Chrysanthemum
Daffodil
Four-o'clocks
Foxglove
Hyacinth
Hydrangea
Iris
Jonquil
Lily of the valley
Morning glory
Narcissus
Snow on the mountain

Trees and Shrubs

Black locust
Boxwood
Chokecherry
Elderberry
Ground ivy
Horse chestnut, buckeye
Juniper
Oak tree
Water hemlock
Yew

Vegetable Garden Plants

Asparagus leaves
Sprouts and green parts of potato
Rhubarb leaves
Green parts of tomato

House Plants

Bird of paradise
Castor bean
Dumbcane (Dieffenbachia)
English ivy
Holly
Jequirty bean (Rosary Pea)
Jerusalem cherry
Mistletoe
Mother-in-law
Oleander
Philodendron
Poinsettia
Rhododendron

Wild plants

Belladonna
Bittersweet
Buttercups
Indian hemp
Jack-in-the-pulpit
Jimson weed
Larkspur
Monkshood
Mushrooms (certain ones)
Nightshade
Poison hemlock, ivy, oak,
sumac and tobacco
Skunk cabbage

SAFE PLANTS*

African Violet
Aluminum Plant
Anthurium, Taliflower
Aphelandra
Baby tears
Begonia
Blood leaf
Boston fern
Christman cactus
Coleus
Corn plant
Dracaena
Emerald ripple, pepromia
Hen-and-chickens
Hoya
Impatiens
Jade Plant
Parlor palm
Pepronia
Prayer plant
Rubber plant
Schefflera
Sensitive plant
Snake plant
Spider plant
Swedish ivy
Velvet, purple passion
Wandering jew
Wax plant
Weeping fig
Yellow day lily

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