



**TOXIC PART** 

All parts can cause

## **Poisonous Plants**

**PLANT** 

Foxglove

The listed plants are considered **VERY** harmful to children. **Other plants may also be A SEVERE HEALTH RISK to your child if consumed.** Contact the POISONS INFORMATION CENTRE to discuss the appropriate first aid action if your child should ingest **ANY** plant or gardening product in your home or garden.

PLANT	TOXIC PART
African Milk Bush Synadenium grantii	Sap is corrosive; All other parts are poisonous if ingested
Agapanthus Agapanthus orientalis	Leaves; acute skin irritation
Angels Trumpet Brugmansia Datura Candida	All parts (esp. fruits, seeds & flowers) are poisonous if ingested
Arum Lily Santedeschia aethiopica	All parts are poisonous if ingested; can cause skin irritation
Autumn Crocus Colchicum autumnale	All parts are poisonous if ingested
Azalea Rhododendron	All parts are poisonous if ingested
Bird of Paradise Poinciana gilliesii	Seeds and green seed pods are toxic
Black Locust Robinia psuedoacacia	Seeds and other parts of plant are poisonous if ingested
Box Buxus sempervirens	All parts are poisonous if ingested
Cape Lilac Melia azedarach	Seeds are poisonous if ingested; Fruit
Castor-oil Plant Ricinus communis	Seeds; All parts poisonous if ingested
Cotoneaster	Fruit (red berries)
Daffodil & Jonquil Narcissus pseudonarcissus & Narcissus jonquilla	Bulbs are poisonous if ingested
Daphne	Bark and Berries
Dumb-Cane Dieffenbachia spp.	All parts: particularly Sap and Berries
Duranta repens	Fruit/Berries





Digitalis purpurea	irregular heart beat, digestive upset & dizziness if ingested.
Hemlock Conium Maculatum	All parts; however the seeds contain the greatest portion of poison.
Holly Illex	Berries, spiked toxic leaves
Jessamine Cestrum spp.	All parts, but mainly unripe berries when ingested
Laburnum / Golden Chain Tree Laburnum anagyroides	Poisoning by ingestion of all parts, especially seeds
Lantana Lantana camara	Green berries are poisonous if ingested. Skin or allergic reaction may occur when handling
Naked Lady Euphorbia tirucalli	All parts, especially milky sap on skin or in eyes
Nightshades Solanum dulcamara <u>or</u> Solanum nigrum	All parts, especially green fruit/berries
Oleander Nerium oleander and Thevetia peruviana	All parts are highly toxic if ingested. Contact with the skin can cause irritation.
Poinsettia Euphorbia pulcherrima	Leaves, flowers and milky sap
Rhus Toxicondendron succedaneum	All parts can cause severe dermatitis & swelling if comes into contact with the skin; the sap causes the most





severe reaction.

Duranta. Geisha Girl

Oleander







PLANT	TOXIC PART
Rosary Pea	Seeds
Arbus precatorius	
Sweet pea	Seeds
Lathyrus odoratus.	
Toadstools and wild	All parts. (Never eat
fungus	fungi occurring in
Amanita spp.	gardens/lawns)
Thorn Apple	All parts: mainly seeds
Datura stramonium and	and leaves if ingested
Jimson Weed	
Winter Sweet	All parts
Carissa spectabilis	
Yellow Oleander,	All parts. One seed
Thevetia species	can be lethal to
	infants.
Yew	Fruit, leaves and
Taxus baccata	seeds
Zamia Palm	Seed is poisonous if
Cycads, Macrozamia	ingested

### **Fruits and Vegetables**

PLANT	TOXIC PART
Avocado	Leaves
Bay Tree Sweet Bay <i>Laurus nobilis</i>	Berries poisonous (leaves are a culinary herb)
Potato	Green skin, spoiled potatoes and sprouts
Rhubarb Rheum rhaponticum	Leaf blade
Stone Fruit Apricot, Cherry, Peach, Plum	The kernel contains a compound that releases cyanide when eaten
Tomato	Green parts of fruit, leaves and vines









# Simple Ways to Prevent Poisoning from Plants

#### DO NOT

- Assume a plant is not poisonous because birds or other wildlife can eat it
- Use any part of a plant for cooking or medicinal use unless fully aware of its attributes

#### DO

- Make sure ALL plants, both indoor and outdoor are accurately identified
- Teach your children never to put leaves, stems, seeds, nuts or berries from any plant into their mouths
- Keep poisonous plants out of children's reach, eg. remove or securely fence off all identified poisonous plants
- Keep a record of ALL plants in your garden
- Take a sample of a plant to your local nursery if unsure what the name of the plant is
- Keep the Poisons Information Centre phone number next to your phone 13 11 26.



For further information regarding safe plants around the home please contact:

Your local garden centre

Poisons Information Centre: 13 11 26

www.health.qld.gov.au/PoisonsInformationCentre/

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