

Poisonous Plants



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This is a list of commonly found plants that can be dangerous to touch or eat. There are many other plants that can make you sick or cause a bad reaction. Just because a plant is NOT listed here does not mean it is safe.



Candelabras Cactus (Euphorbia Lactea)



Castor Bean (Ricinus Communis)



Century Plant (Agave Americana)



Chinaberry Tree (Melia Azedarach)



Dumbcane (Dieffenbachia)



Eucalyptus



Foxglove (Digitalis)



Jimson Weed (Datura Stramonium)



Lantana sp.)

(ON THE COVER)

Mexican Bird

of Paradise

(Caesalpinia

ailliesii)

Plant Safety Tips

- Know the names of all your plants, both indoor and outdoor
- Label each of your plants with the common and botanical name
- To help correctly identify a plant, take as much of the plant as possible (leaf, stem) to nursery, florist or cooperative extension site
- Pets, especially dogs, also eat plants
- Do not assume a plant is safe because birds or wildlife eat it
- Remove all mushrooms from your yard. Only trained experts can correctly identify edible mushrooms
- Keep all plants, berries, seeds, and bulbs out of reach of young children

First Aid for Plant Poisoning

Call the Poison Center right away at 1-800-222-1222. Do not wait for the victim to look or feel sick. Save any parts of the plant for identification.

MOUTH: Remove any parts of the plant from the mouth. Give a small amount of water to drink.

SKIN: Wash any skin exposed to the plant with soap and water right away. Remove any clothing that has been in contact with the plant.

Remember any plant can cause choking or a severe allergic reaction. If difficulty breathing, call 911.

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Oleander (Nerium oleander)



Silver Leaf Night Shade (Solanum elaeagnifolium)



Philodendron (*Philodendron species*)

Texas Mountain Laurel (Sophora secundiflora)



Pothos (Epipremnum aureum)



Tree Tobacco (Nicotiana Glauca)

Nonpoisonous Plants

Bougainvillea (Bougainvillea species)

Christmas Cactus (Schlumbergera bridgesi or Zygocactus trumcatus)

Marigold (Tagetes species)

Mesquite (Prosopis species)

Poinsettia (Euphorbia pulcherrima)

For more information: www.azpoison.com/poison/plants