

# PLANTS CAN BE POISONOUS!

This list contains 100 of the most common poisonous plants found in our area.

- We suggest you learn the names of all plants in your home and yard. We cannot identify them by phone. Your local garden store can help you.
- Don't be surprised to find that some parts of the same plant can be poisonous while other parts are not.
- If you need our help, call the Upstate New York Poison Center.

Plant poisoning can make you sick.

It can also cause redness or itching of the skin.

## WHAT IF A POISONING OCCURS?

- Remove any portion left in the mouth.
- Call the Poison Center.
- The Poison Specialist will tell you what to do next.

Twelve percent of calls to the Poison Center are about plants.



## POISON PREVENTION TIPS

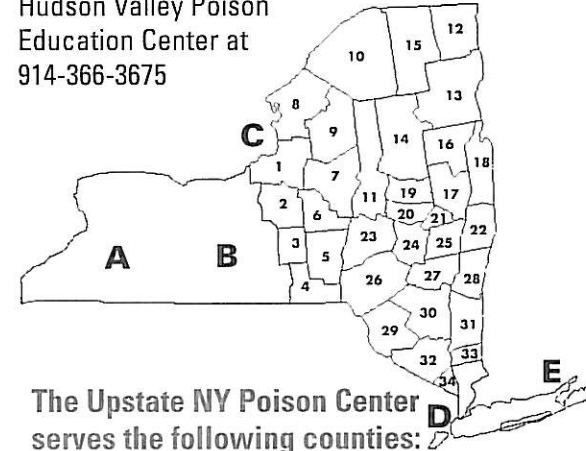
1. Teach your children never to put leaves, stems, bark, seeds, nuts or berries from any plant in their mouths, as many can be poisonous.
2. Store poisonous house plants, bulbs and seeds out of sight and out of reach.
3. Learn the names of the plants in your home and yard.
4. Don't assume that a plant is non-toxic to you if a bird or other wildlife is eating it.
5. "Cooking" poisonous plants doesn't destroy poisons in the plant.
6. Be sure to choose only non-toxic plants if you are making tea.

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"We're only a phone call away . . ."

# 100 POISONOUS PLANTS

## IN THE NORTHEAST U.S. AND CANADA



### Common Name Toxic Part

Acorn (Oak Tree)	<i>Quercus</i>	nut meat
Amaryllis	<i>Hippeastrum</i>	bulb
American Helibore	<i>Veratrum</i>	all
Anemone	<i>Anemone</i>	all
Angel's Trumpet	<i>Datura</i>	all
Apple, Apricot	<i>Pyrus, Prunus</i>	seeds, leaves, sap, pit nut
Arum	<i>Arum</i>	all
Asparagus	<i>Asparagus</i>	all but young stalk
Autumn Crocus	<i>Colchicum</i>	bulb, all
Azalea	<i>Rhododendron</i>	honey, all
Baneberry	<i>Actea</i>	fruit, all
Belladonna	<i>Atropa</i>	fruit, all
Bittersweet (Nightshade)	<i>Celastrus</i>	fruit
Bleeding Heart	<i>Dicentra</i>	all
Bloodroot	<i>Sanguinaria</i>	all
Bluebonnet	<i>Lupine</i>	all
Blue Cohosh	<i>Caulophyllum</i>	fruit, all
Boneset, White Snakeroot	<i>Eupatorium</i>	all
Box, Boxwood	<i>Buxus</i>	all
Bulbs (various)	<i>many</i>	all
Burning Bush	<i>Euonymus</i>	fruit, all
Bunercup	<i>Ranunculus</i>	all
Calla Lilly	<i>Calla, Zantedeschia</i>	root, all
Cammomile, Chamomile	<i>Anthemis</i>	all

Cashew	<i>Anacardium</i>	shell, raw nut
Castor Bean	<i>Ricinus</i>	bean
Celandine, Golden	<i>Chelidonium</i>	juice, all
Cherry, Choke	<i>Prunus</i>	raw fruit, sap, leaves
Cherry, Jerusalem	<i>Solanum</i>	fruit, plant
Cherry Laurel	<i>Lauroserasus</i>	all
Chinaberry	<i>Melia</i>	seeds, all
Christmas Rose	<i>Heleborus</i>	all
Cowslip, Marsh Marigold	<i>Caltha</i>	all raw
Crowpoison	<i>Amianthium, Zygadenus</i>	all
Daffodil, Jonquil	<i>Narcissus</i>	bulb, all
Daphne	<i>Daphne</i>	fruit, all
Dumb Cane	<i>Dieffenbachia</i>	all
Elephant Ear	<i>Alocasia, Colocasia, Caladium</i>	all
Fool's Parsley	<i>Aethusa</i>	all
Foxglove	<i>Digitalis</i>	all
Fringe Tree	<i>Chionanthus</i>	all
Gentians	<i>Gentiana</i>	all
Goldenchain Tree	<i>Laburnum</i>	seeds, all
Goldenseal	<i>Hydrastis</i>	all
Healing Cactus	<i>Aloe</i>	all
Hemlock, Poison	<i>Conium</i>	root, all
Hemlock, Water	<i>Cicuta</i>	root, all
Henbane	<i>Hyoscyamus</i>	all
Holly	<i>Ilex</i>	fruit
Horsechestnut (Buckeye Tree)	<i>Aesculus</i>	nut meat
Hyacinth	<i>Hyacinthus</i>	bulb, all
Iris	<i>Iris</i>	rhizome, all
Ivy, English, German, Others	<i>Hedera, Senecio, Kalmia, Scindapsis</i>	fruit, all

Ivy, Poison	<i>Rhus</i>	all
Jasmine, Jessamine	<i>Gelsemium Jasminum</i>	all
Jequirity Bean, Rosary Pea	<i>Abrus (in jewelry)</i>	bean
Jerusalem Cherry	<i>Solanum</i>	fruit, all
Jimson Weed, Thorn Apple	<i>Delphinium</i>	all
Larkspur	<i>Delphinium</i>	all
Laurel, Mountain, Sheep, Swamp, Cherry	<i>Kalmia Lauroserasus</i>	honey, all
Lillies	<i>Gloriosa, Hyacinthus, Zephyranthes, Atamasco</i>	bulb, all
Lily of the Valley	<i>Convallaria</i>	all
Lobelia	<i>Lobelia</i>	all
Locust Tree	<i>Robinia</i>	seeds, sap, shoots, bark
Marijuana	<i>Cannabis</i>	all
Matrimony Vine	<i>Lycium</i>	fruit, all
Mayapple, Mandrake	<i>Podophyllum</i>	Whole plant, green fruit
Mescal	<i>Lophophora, Sophora</i>	all
Milkweed	<i>Asclepias</i>	all raw
Mistletoe	<i>Phoradendron, Viscum</i>	fruit, all
Monkshood	<i>Aconitum</i>	all
Moonseed, False Wild Grape	<i>Menispermum</i>	fruit, all
Mushrooms	<i>Amanita &amp; others</i>	all
Narcissus	<i>Narcissus</i>	bulb
Nettle, Stinging	<i>Urtica</i>	stems, leaves
Nicotine	<i>Nicotiana</i>	all
Nightshade	<i>Solanum</i>	all
Oleander	<i>Nerium</i>	all
Peach, Plum, Prune	<i>Amygdalus, Prunus</i>	pit nut, sap, leaves
Pea, Seet, Meadow	<i>Lathyrus</i>	peas, pod

Philodendron	<i>Philodendron, Monstera, Scindapsus</i>	all
Pieris	<i>Pieris</i>	honey, all
Poinsettia	<i>Euphorbia</i>	honey, all
Poison Ivy, Oak, Sumac	<i>Rhus</i>	all
Pokeweed, Skoke	<i>Phytolacca</i>	all of mature plant, root
Poppy	<i>Papaver</i>	all
Potato	<i>Solanum</i>	green parts, sprouts
Privet	<i>Lagustrum</i>	fruit, all
Rhododendron	<i>Rhododendron</i>	honey, all
Rhubarb	<i>Rheum</i>	leaves, root
Skunk Cabbage	<i>Symplocarpus</i>	all raw
Snowdrop	<i>Galanthus</i>	bulb, all
Snow on the Mountain	<i>Euphorbia</i>	honey, all
Squill	<i>Scilla</i>	bulb, all
Squirrel Corn	<i>Dicentra</i>	"corn", all
Star of Bethlehem	<i>Orinithogalum</i>	bulb, all
Virginia Creeper	<i>Parthenocissus</i>	fruit
Yew	<i>Taxus</i>	all

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