

Plants and Other Things That Are Poisonous to Dogs

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Many dog owners do not realize that their home and yard may contain items that are poisonous to dogs. Review this list, and keep your dog(s) away from these items. If your dog is not a chewer, the plants may not be a problem. However, you never know when your dog may become frustrated and begin chewing.

Shrubs		
Plant Name	Possible Symptoms	
Azalea	Weakness, upset stomach, drooling, coma, heart failure, depression	
Boxwood	Upset stomach, heart failure, excitability or lethargy	
Holly (Berries)	Upset stomach, tremors, seizures, loss of balance	
Hydrangea	Seizures, dizziness, rapid breathing	
Oleander	Upset stomach, heart failure, excitability or lethargy	

Flowers			
Plant Name	Possible Symptoms		
Amaryllis	Upset stomach, hyperactivity, lethargy, coma, shock, death		
Autumn Crocus	Oral irritation, upset stomach, kidney failure, hyperactivity, lethargy, coma, shock, death		
Buttercup	Upset stomach		
Calla Lilly	Upset stomach, oral irritation, asphyxiation, tremors, seizures, loss of balance, death		
Christmas Rose	Upset stomach, diarrhea, seizures, disorientation		
Chrysanthemum	Skin irritation		
Daffodil (bulb)	Upset stomach, seizures, weakness, tremors, excitement, lethargy, coma, death		
Easter Lily	Kidney failure, upset stomach, weakness		
Foxglove	Upset stomach, tremors, seizures, loss of balance, lethargy, collapse, heart failure, death		
Hyacinth (bulb)	Varied toxic effects		
Iris (root)	Upset stomach		
Jessamine	Labored breathing, seizures, weakness, respiratory failure		
Jonquil (Narcissus)	Upset stomach, hyperactivity, depression, coma, seizures, tremors, weakness, irregular heartbeat, death		
Morning Glory	Upset stomach, hallucinations		
Narcissus	Upset stomach, hyperactivity, depression, coma, seizures, tremors, weakness, irregular heartbeat, death		
Peony	Upset stomach, tremors, seizures, staggering, loss of balance, depression, collapse, heart failure, death		
Periwinkle	Hallucinogen		
Poinsettia	Upset stomach, oral irritation		
Primrose	Upset Stomach		
Tulip (bulb)	Varied toxic effects		

Vines/ Ground Cover		
Plant Name	Possible Symptoms	
Devil's Ivy (Philodendron)	Upset stomach, mouth irritation, tremors, seizures, loss of balance, asphyxiation, death	
English Ivy	Upset stomach, hyperactivity, labored breathing, drooling, fever, increased thirst, dilated	
	pupils, weakness, staggering	
Jasmine	Weakness, seizures, respiratory failure	

Vine	Upset stomach, lethargy, drooling, heart failure, dilated pupils	
Matrimony Vine	Varied toxic effects	
Virginia Creeper	Varied toxic effects	

Ornamentals and Houseplants		
Plant Name	Possible Symptoms	
Asparagus Fern	Vomiting, abdominal pain, cramps, tremors, heart, respiratory, kidney problems	
Caladium	Upset stomach, oral irritation, asphyxiation, tremors, seizures, loss of balance, death	
Elephant's Ear (Colocasia)	Upset stomach, oral irritation, asphyxiation, tremors, seizures, loss of balance, death	
Dumb Cane (Dieffenbachia)	Upset stomach, oral irritation, asphyxiation, tremors, seizures, loss of balance, death	
Philodendron (Saddle Leaf, Split	Swollen mouth, painful tongue, sore lips	
Leaf)		
Poinsettia	Upset stomach, oral irritation	
Pot Mum	Dermatitis	
Rhododendrons	Vomiting, diarrhea, collapse, death from heart failure	
Spider Mum	Dermatitis	
Umbrella Plant (Schefflera)	Vomiting, abdominal pain, cramps, tremors, heart, respiratory, kidney problems	

Trees		
Plant Name	Possible Symptoms	
Apple (leaves and stem)	Rapid breathing, shock, dilated pupils, gum inflammation	
American Yew	Vomiting, abdominal pain, diarrhea	
Cuban Laurel (Ficus)	Upset stomach	
Fiddle-Leaf Fig (Ficus lyrata)	Upset stomach, skin irritation	
Oak (acorns)	Varied toxic effects	
English Yew	Vomiting, abdominal pain, diarrhea	
Western Yew	Vomiting, abdominal pain, diarrhea	
Apricot	Vomiting, abdominal pain, diarrhea	
Almond	Vomiting, abdominal pain, diarrhea	
Peach	Vomiting, abdominal pain, diarrhea	
Cherry (leaves and stem)	Shock, gum inflammation, dilated pupils, rapid breathing	
Wild Cherry	Vomiting, abdominal pain, diarrhea	
Japanese Plum	Vomiting, abdominal pain, diarrhea	
Balsam Pear	Vomiting, abdominal pain, diarrhea	

Fruits and Vegetables		
Plant Name Possible Symptoms		
Apple Seeds	Varied toxic effects	
Apricot Seeds	Varied toxic effects	
Avocado Seeds	Diarrhea, vomiting, labored breathing, death	
Cornstalk	Upset stomach, labored breathing, drooling	
Eggplant (all parts except fruit)	Upset stomach, heart failure, drooling, lethargy	
Onion	Upset stomach, anemia	
Peach Seeds	Varied toxic effects	

Other Plants		
Plant Name	Symptoms	
Aloe Vera	Diarrhea	
Mistletoe	Varied toxic effects	
Mushrooms	Varied toxic effects	

All of the following items can poison your dog.

Foods

- Onions, onion powder
- Chocolate (baker's, semi-sweet, milk, dark)
- Alcoholic beverages
- Yeast dough
- Coffee (grounds, beans, chocolate covered expresso beans)
- Tea (caffeine)
- Salt
- Macadamia nuts
- Hops (used in home beer brewing)
- Tomato leaves and stems (green parts)
- Potato leaves and stems (green parts)
- Rhubarb leaves
- Avocados
- Moldy food

Medications

- Aspirin
- Ibuprofen
- Cough and cold medications
- All prescription drugs
- Medications in tubes. A dog can chew through the tube in seconds.

House Plants - The ingestion of these house plants can be fatal.

- Azalea
- Oleander
- Castor bean
- Sago palm
- Easter lily
- Yew plant

Flea Control Products and Other Insecticides

Mouse and Rat Poisons

Household Chemicals

- Dishwasher detergent
- Mothballs
- Potpourri oils
- Homemade play dough
- Fabric softener sheets
- Batteries
- Cigarettes

Gardening and Lawn Care Supplies

Automobile Care Supplies

Additional Sources of Information			
Organization	Phone or URL	Cost	
ASPCA/National Animal Poison Control Center	1-888-426-4435 www.aspca.org/pet-care/poison- control/	\$65 per case for phone consultation (no extra charge for follow-up calls)	
	THIS IS A WONDERFUL WEB SITE THAT HAS IMPORTANT INFORMATION ON		
	POISONING.		

Most of the above information was obtained on the http://www.napcc.aspca.org Web sites. On the ASPCA web site, click on Pet Care near the top of the screen and then Animal Poison Control.