



GUIDELINES FOR THE IDENTIFICATION OF POISONOUS PLANTS

Different parts of plants are poisonous. Keep all plants away from small children. The following is a limited list of specific plants that have been classified as poisonous. The exclusion of a plant from this list does not mean it would be safe around people or pets.

For more information about potentially hazardous plants, you can contact to your local nursery, the Denver Botanical Garden (720-865-3500) or visit their homepage at <http://www.botanicgardens.org> , the Colorado Department of Agriculture (303-239-4140) or visit their homepage at <http://www.ag.state.co.us/> or Colorado State University Extension Service, Denver Office (720-913-5270) or visit their homepage at <http://www.ext.colostate.edu/> .

Flowers

- caladium (all parts)
- castor bean (seeds and leaves)
- flowering tobacco (leaves and flowers)
- foxglove (all parts)
- iris (all parts)
- larkspur (delphinium)
- lupine (all parts)
- poppy (all parts)
- spurge (milky sap)
- sweet pea (seeds and pods)



- cardinal flower (all parts)
- daffodil (all parts)
- four-o'clock (roots and seeds)
- hellebore (all parts)
- lantana (unripe fruits and leaves)
- lily of the valley (all parts)
- monkshood (all parts)
- snowdrop (bulb)
- star-of-Bethlehem (all parts)
- tulip (bulbs)

Houseplants

- Chinese Evergreen
- aloe (sap if ingested)
- croton (seeds, leaves, and stems)
- dieffenbachia (all parts)
- Jerusalem Cherry (all parts)
- Philodendron (all parts)



- anthurium (all parts)
- calla lily (all parts)
- crown-of-thorns (milky sap)
- elephant ear (all parts)
- mistletoe (all parts)

Fruits

- apple (bark, leaves, seeds)
- apricot (bark, leaves, seeds, pits)
- nectarine (bark, leaves, seeds, pits)
- cherry (bark, leaves, seeds, pits)

- pear (bark, leaves, seeds)
- peach (bark, leaves, seeds, pits)
- plum (bark, leaves, seeds, pits)
- avocado (leaves, unripe fruit, bark, seeds)

Landscape Plants

- azalea (leaves and flowers)
- Boston ivy (berries)
- buckeye (all parts)
- clematis (leaves)
- English ivy (all parts)
- horse chestnut (all parts)
- oak (acorns, leaves)
- rhododendron (leaves and flowers)



- black locust (all parts)
- boxwood (leaves and twigs)
- burning bush (all parts)
- elderberry (all parts)
- holly (berries, leaves)
- hydrangea (leaves and buds)
- privet (all parts)
- wisteria (all parts)

**Before treating a person or pet that has eaten a plant call Rocky Mountain Poison Control.
Denver Metro: 303-739-1123 Outside Metro Denver: 800-332-3073**