## MISSOURI POISON CENTER 1-800-222-1222

A Program of SSM Health Cardinal Glennon

# TOXIC AND NON-TOXIC PLANTS





# THIS LIST CONTAINS THE MORE COMMON TOXIC AND NON-TOXIC PLANTS IN MISSOURI.

TOXIC MEANS POISONOUS WHILE NON-TOXIC MEANS NOT POISONOUS.

IF YOU DO NOT KNOW THE NAME OF A PLANT, HAVE IT IDENTIFIED AT A NURSERY, GARDEN CENTER OR BOTANICAL GARDEN.

IF YOU DO NOT FIND A CERTAIN PLANT ON THE LIST, CALL THE MISSOURI POISON CENTER AT 1-800-222-1222.

WHILE HOUSE AND GARDEN PLANTS ARE A COMMON CAUSE OF POISONING IN CHILDREN, TOUCHING OR EATING POISONOUS PLANTS CAN HARM PEOPLE OF ALL AGES.

EVEN NON TOXIC PLANTS CAN CAUSE UNEXPECTED PROBLEMS. IT IS BEST TO KEEP PLANTS OUT OF THE REACH OF YOUNG CHILDREN.

KNOWING ABOUT POISONOUS PLANTS WILL HELP KEEP YOU AND YOUR FAMILY SAFE.

#### PROTECT YOUR FAMILY

Keep house plants out of reach of babies and toddlers.

Make it your business to know the names of the plants you have in you home and yard. The Missouri Poison Center cannot identify a plant from a verbal description or texts over the phone.

Do not assume a plant is safe because birds or other animals eat it. Never eat any part of an unknown plant or mushroom and teach children the same; no leaves, stems, bark, seeds, or berries should be placed in their mouth.

Store plants and bulbs away from food so there are no accidental mix-ups. Seeds, bulbs, plant food, and pesticides should be out of sight and reach of children.

Keep pesticides and yard chemicals in their original containers. Make it a habit to place the cap back on securely and put the container away immediately after use.

Wear pants, long sleeve shirts, and gloves to avoid poison ivy and other skin irritating plants. Remove and launder clothing when done and wash any skin exposed to plants or pesticides with soap and water immediately after use.

Wear appropriate protective clothing while handling pesticide products. Dispose of pesticides as instructed on the product label. Look for the "storage and disposal" statement on the product.

### **DO NOT EAT WILD MUSHROOMS!**

Even people who have been picking mushrooms for years have made mistakes. Eating poisonous mushrooms can cause a range of symptoms from nausea, vomiting, and diarrhea to severe kidney and liver damage.



## **NON-TOXIC PLANTS**

### The following plants are generally considered not harmful.

Magnolia

Mulberry

Monkey Grass

Abelia African Violet Aluminum Plant Baby's Tears Begonia Bird's Nest Fern Bloodleat Boston Fern Bridal Veil Butterfly Bush Camellia Christmas Cactus Coleus Corn Plant Creeping Charlie Creeping Jenny Dandelion

Day Lily

Norfolk Pine Dracaena Painted Lady Easter Lily Petunia Ferns Forsythia Poinsettia Gardenia Prayer Plant Geranium (Pictured Above) Rose Gloxinia Rose of Sharon Hibiscus Silver Vine Spider Plant Honey Locust Hosta Swedish Ivy *Impatiens* Tiger Lily Jade Plant Tulip Kalanchoe Velvet Plant Lavender Venus Fly Trap Lilac Zebra Plant

Zinnia













## **TOXIC PLANTS**

#### The following plants may be harmful.

The plants listed as "toxic" include a range of mildly irritating plants to extremely poisonous plants.

Aloe Jequirity Bean (Rosary Pea) Amarvllis Jerusalem Cherry

Arrowhead Vine Jimson Weed Autumn Crocus Jonquil Azalea Larkspur

Bird of Paradise Lily of the Valley **Bittersweet** Lobelia

Black Locust Marigold Black Nightshade Mayapple Mistletoe Boxwood

Buckeve Monkshood (Wolfsbane)

Burning Bush Moonseed Caladium Morning Glory Calla Lily Oak (Acorn) Castor Bean Oleander Chrysanthemum Peace Lily Crab Apple (seeds) Peony Periwinkle Philodendron

Daphne Pokeweed Deadly Nightshade Poison Hemlock Devil's Ivy Poison Ivy Dieffenbachia Poison Oak Dumb Cane

Potato (green parts) Elephant's Ear Pothos

English Ivy Pyracantha Euonymus Rhododendron Fire Thorn Foxalove Rubber Tree

Golden Chain Tree

Holly Hyacinth Hydrangea

Gladiola

Jack-in-the-Pulpit

Rhubarb (leaf blades) Schefflera Tomato (vines) Virginia Creeper Water Hemlock Wisteria

IF SOMEONE HAS INGESTED ANY PART OF A POISONOUS PLANT, CALL THE MISSOURI POISON CENTER AT 1-800-222-1222.

**DO NOT WAIT FOR SYMPTOMS TO OCCUR!** 

POISON CENTER HELP IS FREE, EXPERT AND CONFIDENTIAL. WE HELP PEOPLE OF ALL AGES IN ALL TYPES OF SITUATIONS.



## POISON HELP IS A CALL AWAY.

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