

Poisonous plants can be a hazard to pets, including fish

Many of our ornamental plants in the garden may be poisonous to the touch (e.g., poison ivy, poison sumac), or orally toxic (e.g., poison hemlock, deadly amanita). Many of the poisonous plants, ironically, are of great value medicinally. Some plants are mildly toxic, while others can cause death. Pets are susceptible to many of the same poisonous plants that we are. If you have a cat or dog that may ingest any portion of the plants listed below, it is best to check with your veterinarian to get immediate answers to toxicity concerns. Items toxic to fish (highlighted in bold) should not be planted where fish can access any portion of the plant for ingestion. Care should be used when placing a pond near trees, as several have highly toxic leaves. All plants listed below are poisonous in various degrees to humans and pets.

AVOCADO (<i>Persea americana</i>)	LUPINE (<i>Lupinus</i> species)
AZALEA (<i>Rhododendron</i> species)	MARSH MARIGOLD (<i>Caltha palustris</i>)
BANE BERRY (<i>Actaea rubra</i>)	MARIJUANA (<i>Cannabis sativa</i>)
BARILLA (<i>Halogeton glomeratus</i>)	MAYAPPLE (<i>Podophyllum peltatum</i>)
BLACK LOCUST (<i>Robinia</i> species)	MILKWEED (<i>Asclepias</i> species)
BLACK NIGHTSHADE (<i>Solanum nigrum</i> (americanum))	MONKSHOOD (<i>Aconitum</i> species)
BLACK WALNUT (<i>Juglans nigra</i>)	MOUNTAIN LAURE (<i>Kalmia</i> species)
BLUE CARDINAL FLOWER (<i>Lobelia siphilitica</i>)	OAKS (<i>Quercus</i> species)
BLUE COHOSH (<i>Caulophyllum thalictroides</i>)	OLEANDER (<i>Nerium oleander</i>)
BLUE-GREEN ALGAE (<i>Cyanophyta</i> species)	ONION (<i>Allium cepa</i>)
BRACKEN FERN (<i>Pteridium aquilinum</i>)	PALE SPIKE LOBELIA (<i>Lobelia spicata</i>)
BUCKEYES (<i>Aesculus</i> species)	PERILLA MINT (<i>Perilla frutescens</i>)
BUCKWHEAT (<i>Fagopyrum esculentum</i>)	PHILODENDRON (<i>Philodendron</i> species)
BUTTERCUP (<i>Ranunculus</i> species)	PIGWEED (<i>Amaranthus</i> species)
CALADIUM (<i>Caladium xanthiosoma</i>)	POISON HEMLOCK (<i>Conium maculatum</i>)
CARDINAL FLOWER (<i>Lobelia cardinalis</i>)	POISON IVY (<i>Rhus radicans</i>)
CASTORBEAN (<i>Ricinus communis</i>)	POKE WEED (<i>Phytolacca americana</i>)
CHINABERRY TREE (<i>Melia azedarach</i>)	PONDEROSA PINE (<i>Pinus ponderosa</i>)
CHOKECHERRY/CHERRY (<i>Prunus</i> species)	POTATO (<i>Solanum tuberosum</i>)
CLIMBING NIGHTSHADE (<i>Solanum dulcamara</i>)	PRECATORY BEAN (<i>Abrus precatorius</i>)
CLOVER (<i>Trifolium</i> species)	RED MAPLE (<i>Acer rubrum</i>)
COCKLEBUR (<i>Xanthium</i> species)	RHODODENDRON (<i>Rhododendron maximum</i>)
COMMON NIGHTSHADE (<i>Solanum nigrum</i> (americanum))	RHUBARB (<i>Rheum raphaniticum</i>)
COTTONSEED (<i>Gossypium</i> species)	ROSARY PEA (<i>Abrus precatorius</i>)
CYCAD/SAGO PALM (<i>Cycas revolute</i>)	ST. JOHN'S WORT (<i>Hypericum perforatum</i>)
CYPRESS SPURGE (<i>Euphorbia</i> species)	SENSITIVE FERN (<i>Onoclea sensibilis</i>)
DEADLY NIGHTSHADE (<i>Atropa belladonna</i>)	SKUNK CABBAGE (<i>Symplocarpus foetidus</i>)
DOGBANE/INDIAN HEMP (<i>Apocynum</i> species)	SNEEZEWEED (<i>Helenium loopesii</i>)

DUMB CANE (<i>Dieffenbachia sequine</i> or <i>picta</i>)	SNOW-ON-THE-MOUNTAIN (<i>Euphorbia</i> species)
DUTCHMAN'S BREECHES (<i>Dicentra</i> species)	SORGHUM (<i>Sorghum</i> species)
ERGOT (<i>Claviceps</i> species)	STAR-OF-BETHLEHEM (<i>Ornithoglaum umbellatum</i>)
EUROPEAN BITTERSWEET (<i>Solanum dulcamara</i>)	SWEETCLOVER (<i>Melilotus</i> species)
FLY POISON (<i>Amianthium muscaetoxicum</i>)	SWEET PEA (<i>Lathyrus</i> species)
FOXGLOVE (<i>Digitalis purpurea</i>)	TANSEY RAGWORT (<i>Senecio</i> species)
GROUND IVY (<i>Glechoma hederacea</i>)	THORN APPLE (<i>Datura</i> species)
GROUNDSEL (<i>Senecio</i> species)	TOBACCO (<i>Nicotiana tabacum</i>)
HALOGETON (<i>Halogeton glomeratus</i>)	TOMATO (<i>Lycopersicon esculentum</i>)
HOARY ALYSSUM (<i>Berteroa incana</i>)	WATERHEMLOCK (<i>Cicuta</i> species)
HORSECHESNUT (<i>Aeseulus</i> species)	* <i>Maculata</i> (East)
HORSE NETTLE (<i>Solanum carolinense</i>)	* <i>Douglasii</i> (West)
HOUND'S TONGUE (<i>Cynoglossum officinale</i>)	WESTERN FALSE HELLEBORE (<i>Veratrum californicum</i> or <i>viride</i>)
IRIS (<i>Iris</i> species- Bulb)	WHITE SNAKE ROOT (<i>Eupatorium rugosum</i>)
JACK-IN-THE-PULPIT (<i>Arisaema</i> species)	WILD BLEEDING HEART (<i>Dicentra</i> species)
JAPANESE PIERIS (<i>Pieris japonica</i>)	WISTERIA (<i>Wisteria</i> species)
JIMSONWEED (<i>Datura</i> species)	YELLOW STAR THISTLE (<i>Centaurea solstitialis</i>)
LAMB'S-QUARTERS (<i>Chenopodium album</i>)	YEW (<i>Taxus</i> species)
LARKSPUR (<i>Delphinium</i> species)	
LILY (<i>Lilium</i> species)	More information is available at University of Pennsylvania
LILY-OF-THE-VALLEY (<i>Convallaria majalis</i>)	http://cal.nbc.upenn.edu/poison/ppstcommon.htm
LOCOWEED (<i>Astragalus</i> & <i>Oxytropis</i> species)	List Created by: Brett Begley (2000) Janet Triplett (1997)

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