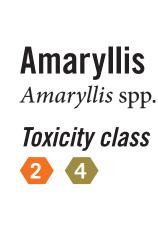


We all love to keep plants in and around the house, but we should consider which ones are safe for pets. Young or new pets tend to nibble and taste plants as they explore and become familiar with their environment, but some garden and house plants are toxic. Symptoms may range from a mild upset stomach to a severe toxic response that can lead to death. It is important to know which plants are safe, as even common plants can be deadly.

Plant toxicities can be organized into four classes:

- **Major Toxicity:** May result in serious illness or death if ingested.
- 2 Minor Toxicity: May result in vomiting or diarrhea if ingested.
- **Oxalates:** Contain juice or sap with oxalate crystals that can irritate the skin, mouth and/or throat, cause swelling, difficulty breathing, pain, and/or an upset stomach.
- 4 Dermatitis: Contact with thorns or sap may result in a skin rash.

If you suspect a poison—related emergency, contact your local veterinarian or the ASPCA Animal Poison Control Center at 888–426–4435.









Bay laurel (Sweet bay)
Laurus nobilis
Toxicity class



Caladium
Caladium spp.
Toxicity class







Calla lily

Zantedeschia aethiopica

Toxicity class







Cardinal flower

Lobelia spp.

Toxicity class







Castor bean

Ricinus communis

Toxicity class





Cyclamen

Cyclamen spp.

Toxicity class







Daffodil (bulb) Narcissus spp.

Toxicity class







Daylily

Hemerocallis spp.

Toxicity class



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Dieffenbachia

(Dumbcane)

Dieffenbachia seguine

Toxicity class



Easter lily, **Oriental lily** Lilium spp.

Toxicity class

(cats)







Elephant ear

Colocasia esculenta

Toxicity class





English ivy

Hedera spp.

Toxicity class





Foxglove

Digitalis purpurea

Toxicity class



Hyacinth

Hyacinthus spp.

Toxicity class







Jade Plant

(Chinese rubber plant, Japanese rubber plant)

Crassula argentea

Toxicity class







Laburnum

(Golden chain tree)

Laburnum anagyroides

Toxicity class





Mother-inlaw's tongue

(Snake plant)

Sansevieria trifasciata

Toxicity class









Mistletoe

Phoradendron spp.

Toxicity class









Oleander

Nerium oleander

Toxicity class







Philodendron

Monstera deliciosa

Toxicity class







Rhododendron azalea

Rhododendron spp.

Toxicity class







Schefflera

Schefflera actinophylla

Toxicity class







Keep toxic plants out of your pet's reach or use fencing to keep pets away. This is not a complete list of plants that can potentially be harmful to your pets. For more information on plants that could be harmful to pets, check out <u>toxic and non-toxic plants</u> from the ASPCA, or <u>poisonous plants for dogs and cats</u> from the Veterinary Partner website.

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