

Plants add the needed finishing touches to any decor. But, if you have a feline, that beautiful plant could become a deadly enemy. Listed here are plants poisonous to cats that must be avoided if there are cats in your home. Note that lilies (*), in particular, are dangerous to cats. While in some cases, just parts of a plant (bark, leaves, seeds, berries, roots, tubers, spouts, green shells) might be poisonous, this list rules out the whole plant. If you must have any of them, keep them safely out of reach.

Should your feline friend eat part of a poisonous plant, rush the cat to your veterinarian as soon as possible. If you can, take the plant with you for ease of identification.

*The ASPCA Animal Poison Control Center, in partnership with the Cat Fanciers' Association, is leading a nationwide campaign to warn cat owners about the dangers of Easter lilies and certain other types of lilies. **"Easter lily, tiger lily, rubrum, Japanese show lily, some species of day lily, and certain other members of the Liliaceae family can cause kidney failure in cats,"** says Dr. Sharon Gwaltney-Brant, Veterinary Toxicologist at the ASPCA Animal Poison Control Center, "All parts of these lilies are considered toxic to cats and consuming even tiny amounts can be life threatening to your cat." Cat owners are encouraged to consider safer alternatives to Easter lilies such as Easter Orchids, Easter Lily Cactus, Easter Daisy or violets. According to Michael W. Brim, Public Relations and Marketing Director for the Cat Fanciers' Association, "Part of being a responsible pet owner is to educate yourself

on the many different health issues facing your pet. Removing dangerous plants from your cat's home is an important part in having safer, healthier, and happier pets."

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Plants Poisonous to Cats

Alfalfa	Almond (pits)	Crocus, Autumn	Crown of Thorns
Aloe Vera	Alocasia	Cuban Laurel	Cycads
Amaryllis	Apple (seeds)	Cutleaf Philodendron	Cyclamen
Apple Leaf Croton	Apricots (pits)	Daffodil	Daphne
Arrowgrass	Asparagus Fern	Datura	Deadly Nightshade
Autumn Crocus	Avocado (fruit/pit)	Death Camas	Devil's Ivy
Azalea	Baby's Breath	Delphinium	Decentrea
Baneberry	Bayonet	Dieffenbachia	Dracaena Palm
Beargrass	Beech	Dragon Tree	Dumb Cane
Belladonna	Bird of Paradise	Easter Lily *	Eggplant
Bittersweet	Black-eyed Susan	Elaine	Elderberry
Black Locust	Bleeding Heart	Elephant Ear	Emerald Feather
Bloodroot	Bluebonnet	English Ivy	Eucalyptus
Box	Boxwood	Euonymus	Evergreen
Branching Ivy	Buckeyes	Ferns	Fiddle-leaf fig
Buddist Pine	Burning Bush	Florida Beauty	Flax
Buttercup	Cactus, Candelabra	Four O'Clock	Foxglove
Caladium	Calla Lily	Fruit Salad Plant	Geranium
Castor Bean	Ceriman	German Ivy	Giant Dumb Cane
Charming Dieffenbachia	Cherry, Laurel	Glacier Ivy/Golden Chain	Gold Dieffenbachia
Cherry (pits/seeds/wilting leaves)	Chinaberry	Gold Dust Dracaena	Golden Glow
Cherry, most wild varieties	Cherry, ground	Golden Pothos	Gopher Purge
Chinese Evergreen	Christmas Rose	Hahn's Self-Branching Ivy	Hellebore
Chrysanthemum	Cineria	Heartland Philodendron	Hemlock, Poison
Clematis	Cordatum	Hemlock, Water	Henbane
Coriaria	Cornflower	Holly	Honeysuckle
Corn Plant	Cornstalk Plant	Horsebeans	Horsebrush
Croton	Corydalis	Horse Chestnuts	Hurricane Plant
		Hyacinth	Hydrangea
		Indian Rubber Plant	Indian Tobacco
		Iris	Iris Ivy
		Jack in the Pulpit	Java Beans
		Janet Craig Dracaena	Jessamine
		Japanese Show Lily *	Jerusalem Cherry
		Jimson Weed	Jonquil
		Jungle Trumpets	Kalanchoe
		Lacy Tree Philodendron	Lantana
		Larkspur	Laurel
		Lily	Lily Spider
		Lily of the Valley	Locoweed
		Lupine	Marble Queen
		Madagascar Dragon Tree	Marigold
		Marijuana	Mescal Bean
		Mexican Breadfruit	Miniature Croton
		Mistletoe	Mock Orange
		Monkshood	Moonseed

Morning Glory	Mountain Laurel
Mother-in Law's Tongue	Mushrooms
Narcissus	Needlepoint Ivy
Nephytis	Nightshade
Oleander	Onion
Oriental Lily *	Peace Lily
Peach (pits/wilting leaves)	Pencil Cactus
Peony	Periwinkle
Philodendron	Pimpernel
Plumosa Fern	Poinciana
Poinsettia (low toxicity)	Poison Hemlock
Poison Ivy	Poison Oak
Pokeweed	Poppy
Potato	Pothos
Precatory Bean	Primrose
Privet, Common	Red Princess
Red-Margined Dracaena	Red Emerald
Rhubarb	Ribbon Plant
Rosemary Pea	Rubber Plant
Saddle Leaf Philodendron	Sago Palm
Satin Pothos	Schefflera
Scotch Broom	Silver Pothos
Skunk Cabbage	Snowdrops
Snow on the Mountain	Spotted Dumb Cane
Staggerweed	Star of Bethlehem
String of Pearls	Striped Dracaena
Sweetheart Ivy	Sweetpea
Swiss Cheese plant	Tansy Mustard
Taro Vine	Tiger Lily *
Tobacco	Tree Philodendron
Tomato Plant (green fruit/stem/leaves)	Tulip
Tropic Snow Dieffenbachia	Virginia Creeper
Tung Tree	Weeping Fig
Water Hemlock	Wisteria
Wild Call	e.g. Japanese Yew
Yews --	Western Yew
English Yew	
American Yew	

Plants and Your Cat

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