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Plants Potentially Poisonous to Animals

The following commonly available trees, shrubs and plants are often sold through plant nurseries, and pose a potential hazard to animals if they are planted in or around animal enclosures. If these plants are found to be desirable for landscaping purposes, it is important to position the plants well away from where animals can reach them. Furthermore it is essential to always provide a balanced nutritious diet to animals at all times so that they are not driven through hunger to eating unusual plant material. It is also important to remember that the careless disposal of tree and plant prunnings into an animal enclosure is a frequent cause of poisoning.

Trees

Black walnut	<i>Juglans nigra</i>
Red Maple and its hybrids	<i>Acer rubrum</i>
Oak	<i>Quercus spp.</i>
Black locust	<i>Robinia pseudoacacia</i>
Golden chain tree	<i>Laburnum anagyroides</i>
Horse chestnut, buckeye	<i>Aesculus spp</i>
Chokecherry	<i>Prunus spp.</i>
Kentucky coffee tree	<i>Gymnocladus dioica</i>
Russian Olive	<i>Elaeagnus angustifolia</i>
Persimmon	<i>Diospyros virginiana</i>
Chinese tallow tree	<i>Sapium sebiferum</i> (mildly toxic)

Shrubs

Yew	<i>Taxus spp.</i>
Oleander	<i>Nerium oleander</i>
Yellow oleander	<i>Thevetia spp.</i>
Privet	<i>Ligustrum spp.</i>
Hydrangea	<i>Hydrangea spp.</i>
Rhododendron (azalea)	<i>Rhododendron spp.</i>
Japanese Pieris	<i>Pieris japonica</i>
Laurel	<i>Kalmia spp.</i>
Black laurel	<i>Leucothoe davisiae</i>
Boxwood	<i>Buxus sempervirens</i>
Burning bush	<i>Euonymus atropurpurens</i>
Lantana	<i>Lantana camara</i>
Angels Trumpet	<i>Brugmansia spp.</i>
Mesquite	<i>Prosopis velutina</i>
Day or night blooming Jasmine	<i>Cestrum diurnum, C. nocturnum</i>

Vines

Carolina jessamine	<i>Gelsemium sempervirens</i>
Virginia creeper	<i>Parthenocissus quinquefolia</i>

Perennial Plants

Fox glove	<i>Digitalis purpurea</i>
Larkspur	<i>Delphinium spp.</i>
Monkshood	<i>Aconitum spp.</i>

Lupines
Hairy vetch
Crown vetch
Castor bean

Lupinus spp.
Vicia villosa
Coronilla spp.
Ricinus communis