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### HARMFUL HOUSE PLANTS

<u>PLANT</u>	<u>AFFECTS</u>	<u>HARMFUL POINTS OF THE PLANT</u>
AFRICAN VIOLET	Cardiovascular	<i>Leaves &amp; Stems are <b>POISONOUS</b></i>
AMARYLLIS	Gastrointestinal / Neurological	<i>N/A</i>
ANTHURIUM	Kidney or Liver Failure	<i>N/A</i>
APRICOT	Respiratory	<i>Kernel in the pit contains Cyanide</i>
AUTUMN CROCUS	Gastrointestinal/Cardiovascular	<i>N/A</i>
AZALEA	Gastrointestinal	<i>Andromeda Toxins Cause Nervousness</i>
BEGONIA	Kidney or Liver Failure	<i>N/A</i>
CALADIUM	Mucosal	<i>Severe Irritation of Mouth &amp; Tongue</i>
CALLA LILLY	Kidney or Liver Failure	<i>N/A</i>
CENTURY PLANT – AGAVE	Cardiovascular	<i>Saponins in Root may be <b>FATAL</b></i>
CHOKE CHERRIES	Respiratory	<i>Unripe Berries Contain Cyanide</i>
CHRYSANTHEMUM	Dermatologic	<i>Rotten Causes Severe Dermatitis</i>
DAFFODIL	Gastrointestinal	<i>Alkaloids in bulbs can cause Severe Gastroenteritis &amp; may be <b>FATAL</b></i>
DELPHINIUM	Neurological	<i>N/A</i>
DIEFFENBACHIA	Gastrointestinal / Respiratory	<i>N/A</i>
DUMBCANE	Mucosal	<i>Juice Causes Severe burning of the mouth &amp; throat which may cause fatal swelling of glottis</i>
ELDERBERRY	Respiratory	<i>Unripe berries contain Cyanide</i>
ELEPHANT'S EAR – COLOCASIA	Mucosal	<i>Severe Irritation of Mouth and Tongue</i>
ENGLISH IVY – HEDERA HELIX	Respiratory	<i>Berries &amp; Leaves cause Purgation, Labored Breathing and Coma</i>
EUCALYPTUS	Cardiovascular	<i>Can Cause Cyanide Poisoning</i>
FOUR O'CLOCK – MIRABILIS	Gastrointestinal	<i>Roots &amp; Seeds Cause Gastroenteritis</i>
FOXGLOVE	Cardiovascular	<i>N/A</i>
HELIOTROPE	Cardiovascular	<i>Leaves contain Poisonous Alkaloid</i>
HYDRANGEA	Respiratory	<i>Gastroenteritis &amp; Bloody Diarrhea</i>
IRIS	Gastrointestinal	<i>can cause Gastroenteritis</i>
KALANCHOE	Cardiovascular	<i>N/A</i>
LANTANA	Liver Failure	<i>N/A</i>
LILY OF THE VALLEY	Cardiovascular	<i>N/A</i>
MISTLETOE BERRIES	Neurological / Cardiovascular	<i>N/A</i>
MORNINIG GLORY	Neurological	<i>Seeds are Toxic to Birds</i>

## HARMFUL HOUSE PLANTS CONTINUED

OLEANDER	Cardiovascular	<i>Very Poisonous, 1 leaf can be FATAL</i>
PEACH	Respiratory	<i>Kernel in the pit contains Cyanide</i>
PENCIL CACTUS	Gastrointestinal	<i>N/A</i>
PEPEROMIA	Cardiovascular	<i>Leaves are Poisonous</i>
PETUNIA	Cardiovascular	<i>Contains Poisonous Alkaloids</i>
PHILODENDRON	Kidney or Liver Failure	<i>Calcium Oxalate Crystals Closure of Glottis This may be FATAL</i>
POINSETTIA	Mucosal	<i>Milky juice may cause Irritation</i>
PRAYER PLANT – MARANTA	Gastrointestinal	<i>Ingestion of Leaves May be Poisonous</i>
PRIMROSE – PRIMULA	Dermatologic	<i>May Cause SEVERE Dermatitis</i>
REX BEGONIA	Gastrointestinal	<i>Purgative &amp; Emetic</i>
RHUBARB LEAVES	Kidney or Liver Failure	<i>N/A</i>
SWEET VIOLETS	Gastrointestinal	<i>Rhizomes &amp; Seeds Cause Gastroenteritis</i>
TAXUS	Cardiovascular	<i>N/A</i>
WORMWOOD – ARTEMISIA	Neurological	<i>Toxic Oils Cause Brain Damage</i>

- ***Houseplants can be both beautiful and useful. HOWEVER, quite a few of them can cause SEVERE discomfort, illness and even DEATH if ingested. In some instances, contact should be avoided. This is NOT to say that you shouldn't continue to enjoy your houseplants. You should be careful to keep them out of reach from pets and children. With the safety of everyone in mind you may want to pass these examples along to your friends and family who have pets and children in their home.***