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Poisonous Plants and Children in the garden

A poisonous plant is one that causes a departure from "normal" health by coming into contact or eating such plants. Assistance can be gained the national poisons information service local hospitals or GPs or City Hospital Dudley Road Birmingham B18 7QH 0121 507 4123 www.npis.org

Most harmful plants have a foul taste however children have a different palate and often taste things that adults would find unpalatable.

The following plants are known to be poisonous and should be avoided in gardens for children wherever possible: -

All parts of the following plants...

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| Lily of the valley | Flag Iris | Foxglove | Christmas rose |
| Lupin | Begonia | Autumn Crocus | Mezereon |
| Laburnum | Daphne | Cherry Laurel | Meadow Saffron |
| Monkswood | | Black Hellebore | American Mandrake |
| Dumb Cane | | | |

Bulbs of the following...

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| Narcissus | Daffodil | Jonquil | Hyacinth |
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Seeds berries and / or leaves of the following.

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| Larkspur | Delphinium | Rhododendron | Azalea | Kalmia | | |
| American Laurel | Yew | Calico Bush | Honeysuckle | Privet | Oak | |
| Broom Caster Oil Plant | | Mistletoe | Rhubarb Leaves | Green Potato | | |
| (stems and Leaves) | Morning Glory | Honesty | Sheep Laurel | Mountain Laurel | Poinsettia | Caster Oil Plant |



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Wild Flowers Hedgerow Woodland and Marsh Plants

..all parts of the following...

Deadly Nightshade Henbane Great Celandine Spurges
Wood nightshade Garden nightshade Fly Agarics Panther Cap
Death Cap Cuckoo Pint (Lords and ladies) Spurge Laurel
Hemlock Dogs Mercury Poison Ivy Water Dropwort
Snowberry Winter Aconite

Roots Berries Seeds and or / Leaves of the following.....

White Bryony Thorn Apple Spindle Privet Buttercups
Black Bryony Crowfoot's Oak March Marigold Cowbane

In addition there can occur some irritation from the hairs of borage, and photosensitisers are.. Hogweed Fig Lobelia Parsnip Rue
Hypericum

Allergic Reactions

Strawberry Primula and Narcissi can cause rash or allergy and fresh damp cut vegetation can cause breathing problems or Hay fever.

The flowers or trees in the spring, grass or other plants in summer or autumn weeds and fungal mould spores from decaying vegetation can cause asthma or hay fever.

An allergic reaction can show itself in eczema, nettle rash or dermatitis