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Pet toxic plants common in Florida landscapes.

- Azalea
- Begonia
- Caladium
- Dieffenbachia
- English Ivy
- Fetterbush
- Gloriosa Lily
- Hibiscus
- Inkberry
- Jade Plant
- Kalanchoe
- Lily of the Valley
- Morning Glory
- Nandina
- Oleander
- Periwinkle
- Rhubarb
- Split Leaf Philodendron
- Ti-Plant
- Vinca
- Wild Coffee
- Yesterday, Today, Tomorrow

Be careful with fertilizer too. Dogs sometimes like the taste of those that contain blood meal, bone meal, feather meal and iron and they can be dangerous to them. Also, slug and snail baits that contain the active ingredient metaldehyde can be poisonous to dogs and cats. Even compost can be toxic to pets and wildlife, so it's best to keep it contained or fenced off. Animals can get sick from eating the decomposing organic matter, which commonly produces molds.

As in many things, "education is the key." As a pet owner, it would be wise to visit the website of the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals at www.asPCA.org and read their toxic plant list. The list above does not include all toxic of plants. Also, when you are outside with a pet, watch where they go to learn what plants they are attracted to. Either eliminate your pet's access to the dangerous ones or remove them altogether if that's not possible. Accidents happen, even to the most attentive pet owners. Be sure to keep your veterinarian's phone number handy. If your pet shows any of the symptoms below, he or she may have eaten a poisonous plant. Take your pet to the vet immediately and if you know what plant was eaten, take it with you.

- Vomiting
- Diarrhea
- Salivation
- Breathing difficulty
- Convulsions