Poison Prevention

First Aid

Tips:

- Keep all poisonous plants, bulbs, seeds, and plant foods out of sight and reach of children and pets.
- Teach children not to put leaves, stems, bark, berries, seeds, nuts, or any other part of a plant into their mouths.
- Remove mushrooms from your yard on a regular basis.
- Never assume that plants or berries that are safe to eat for animals or birds are also safe for humans.
- Do not rely on cooking to destroy poisons in plants.



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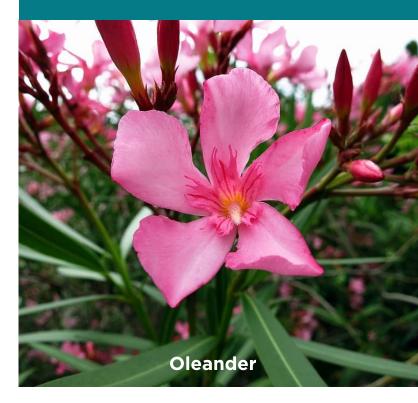
- If ANY plant is eaten, take out what is left in the mouth and rinse thoroughly with water.
- If skin is exposed to a toxic plant, wash with water and soap. Remove all clothing that has come into contact with the plant.
- Call the NM Poison and Drug Information Center right away for treatment advice. Never wait for symptoms to appear.

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Poisonous Plants in New Mexico

New Mexico is home to hundreds of poisonous plants. These plants have substances that can cause symptoms ranging from a mild stomachache to serious illness or even death. This is why it is important to know what kind of plants are in and around your home.

Poisonous Plants in New Mexico

Foxglove



The following list includes some of the common poisonous plants found in New Mexico. However, it is not all inclusive. Do not think that a particular plant is safe because it is not listed.

To identify poisonous plants, ask your local garden center for help. Label your plants with their common and botanical names. Then call the New Mexico Poison and Drug Information Center (NMPDIC) to find out if a plant is poisonous.

amaryllis
apricot pits
apple seeds
azalea
begonia
buckthorn
castor bean
cherry pits
chokeberry pits
cotoneaster
crabapple seeds
death camas
dumb cane
donkey tail
elderberry

euonymous
euphorbia
false hellebore
four o'clock
foxglove
hemlock
holly berries
horse nettle
hyacinth
hydrangea
iris
ivy
Jerusalem cherry
jimson weed
juniper

lantana
larkspur
lily of the valley
milkweed
monkshood
morning glory
mother-in-laws tongue
mushrooms (outdoor)
narcissus
nephthytis
nightshade
oleander
peace lily
periwinkle
philodendron

plum pits
poinsettia
poison ivy
poison oak
pokeweed
pothos
primrose
rhododendron
rhubarb leaves
rosary pea
shamrock plant
string of pearls
tulip bulbs
wisteria
yew

