

## Top Most Common Poisonous Plants to Animals

1. **Sago Palm** – *Cycas Revoluta*  
All parts are poisonous, but the seeds or “nuts” contain the largest amount of toxin. The ingestion of just one or two seeds can result in very serious effects, which include vomiting, diarrhea, depression, seizures and liver failure.
2. **Lilies** – *Lilium spp.*  
All are considered to be highly toxic to cats. While the poisonous component has not yet been identified, it is clear that with even ingestions of very small amounts of the plant, severe kidney damage could result.
3. **Tulip/Narcissus bulbs** – *Tulip/Narcissus spp.*  
These bulbs contain toxins that can cause intense gastrointestinal irritation, drooling loss of appetite, depression of the central nervous system, convulsions and cardiac abnormalities.
4. **Azalea/Rhododendron** – *Rhododendron spp.*  
Contain substances know as grayantoxins, which can produce vomiting, drooling, diarrhea, weakness and depression of the central nervous system in animals. Severe azalea poisoning could ultimately lead to coma and death from cardiovascular collapse.
5. **Oleander** – *Nerium oleander*  
All parts are considered to be toxic, as they contain cardiac glycosides that have the potential to cause serious effects-including gastrointestinal tract irritation, abnormal heart function, hypothermia and even death.
6. **Castor Bean** – *Ricinus communis*  
The poisonous principle is ricin, a highly toxic protein that can produce severe abdominal pain, drooling, vomiting, diarrhea, excessive thirst, weakness and loss of appetite. Severe cases of poisoning can result in dehydration, muscle twitching, tremors, seizures, coma and death.
7. **Cyclamen** – *Cyclamen*  
Contain cyclamine, but the highest concentration of this toxic component is typically located in the root portion of the plant, if consumed, Cyclamen can produce significant gastrointestinal irritation, including intense vomiting. Fatalities have also been reported in some cases.
8. **Kalonchoe**  
This plant contains components that can produce gastrointestinal irritation, as well as those that are toxic to the heart, and can seriously affect cardiac rhythm and rate.
9. **Yew** – *Taxus spp.*  
Contains a toxic component known as taxine, which causes central nervous system effects such as trembling, incoordination, and difficulty breathing. It can also cause significant gastrointestinal irritation and cardiac failure, which can result in death.

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