

# Prevention and Safety Tips for: Common Poisonous Plants of Florida

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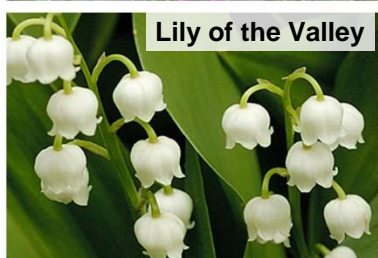
Arrowhead



Caladium



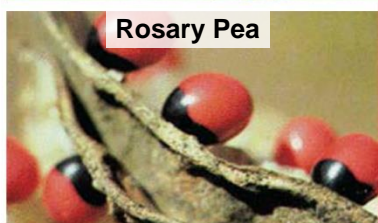
Oleander



Lily of the Valley



Foxglove



Rosary Pea

Common Plant Name	Possible Medical Problems
Arrowhead Dieffenbachia Caladium Philodendron Peace Lily, Pothos	The leaves and stems contain oxalate crystals that cause immediate pain when chewed. Burning and irritation in the lips, mouth and throat can occur. If plant parts are swallowed, vomiting can occur.
Oleander Lily of the Valley Foxglove	All parts of the plants are poisonous if swallowed or if smoke from a burning plant is inhaled. Symptoms include nausea, vomiting, stomach cramps, dizziness, low blood pressure, slow pulse and seizures.
Castor Bean Rosary Pea Rosary Bean	Swallowing a chewed or split bean can cause bloody vomiting, diarrhea, abdominal pain, drowsiness and death from liver or kidney damage.
Glory Lily Gloriosa Lily Autumn crocus	Eating any part of the flower or bulb can cause vomiting, diarrhea, abdominal pain and chest pain. Deaths result from damage to heart, kidneys, liver and lungs.
Common Lantana	Eating unripe berries can cause dilated pupils, blurry vision, vomiting, weakness, dizziness, flushed skin and shallow breathing.
Chinaberry	Eating the bark or ripe berries can cause diarrhea, vomiting, seizures, clammy skin, weakness and difficulty breathing.



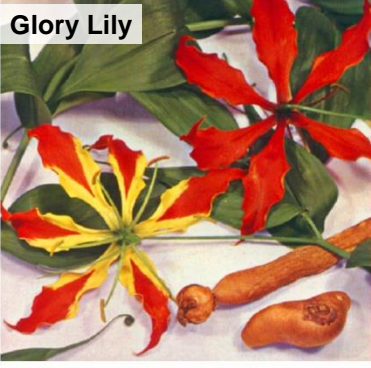
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Autumn Crocus



Angel's Trumpet



Poison Ivy



Wild Mushrooms

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Common Crotons	Milky sap can cause skin irritation. Nausea, vomiting or diarrhea may occur if plant is eaten.
American Holly	Eating leaves and berries can cause drowsiness, vomiting and dehydration.
Poinsettia	This plant is only mildly toxic. Eating one leaf may cause mild irritation to the mouth. If many leaves are swallowed, vomiting can occur.
Angel's Trumpet Devil's Trumpet Jimson Weed	When flowers, leaves or seeds are eaten, problems such as dry mouth, muscle weakness, high blood pressure, fast pulse, difficult urination, confusion, flushed skin, fever, dilated pupils, blurred vision and constipation can occur.
Poison Ivy Brazilian Pepper	Touching the leaves or oil from the plant can cause an itchy rash with blisters. Inhaling smoke from burning plants or plants in bloom may cause wheezing or breathing difficulty.
Wild Mushrooms	The type of illness varies depending on which type of mushroom was eaten. Problems may include vomiting, diarrhea, abdominal pain, hallucinations, kidney failure, liver failure, allergic reaction, burning thirst, headache, sweating, lung congestion, seizures and death.



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