

| Plant Name | Scientific Name | Parts Known to be Poisonous |
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| Acokanthera | <i>Acokanthera</i> spp. | All parts toxic |
| Amaryllis | <i>Amaryllidaceae</i> | Bulbs |
| American Yew | <i>Taxus canadensis</i> | Needles, seeds |
| Angel's Trumpet | <i>Datura</i> spp., | Leaves, seeds, flowers |
| Apricot | <i>Prunus armeniaca</i> , | Pits, leaves, and bark |
| * Autumn Crocus | <i>Colchicum autumnale</i> | Bulb |
| Avocado | <i>Persa americana</i> | Pit, leaves, unripe fruit, and stems |
| Azalea | <i>Rhododendron occidentale</i> | Leaves |
| Balsam pear | <i>Memoridica charantia</i> | Seeds, outer rind of fruit |
| Baneberry | <i>Actaea</i> spp. | Berries, roots |
| Belladonna | <i>Atropa belladonna</i> | All parts |
| Bird of Paradise | <i>Caesalpinia gilliesii</i> | Seeds |
| Bittersweet | <i>Celastrus</i> spp. | All parts |
| Black Locust | <i>Robinia pseudoacacia</i> | Bark, sprouts, foliage |
| * Bleeding Heart | <i>Dicentra</i> | All parts |
| Bluegreen algae | <i>Schizophycaea</i> spp | Some forms toxic |
| Bracken Fern | <i>Pteridium aquilinum</i> | All parts |
| Some forms toxic Boxwood | <i>Buxus sempervirens</i> | Leaves, stems |
| Buckthorn | <i>Rhamnus</i> spp. | Fruit, bark |
| Burdock | <i>Arctium</i> spp. | All parts |
| Buttercup | <i>Ranunculus</i> spp. | Sap, bulbs |
| Calla lily | <i>Zantedeschia aethiopica</i> | Leaves |

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| Caladium | <i>Caladium</i> spp. | Leaves and rhizome |
| Castor Oil Plant | <i>Ricinus communis</i> | Beans, leaves |
| Catclaw Acacia | <i>Acacia greggii</i> , | Twigs and leaves |
| Chalice vine | <i>Solantra</i> spp. | All parts |
| Cherry tree | <i>Prunus</i> spp. | Bark, twigs, leaves, pits |
| Chunaberry | <i>Melia azadarach</i> | All parts |
| Chokecherry | <i>Birdcherry Prunus</i> | Seeds (stones), |
| Christmas candle | <i>Pedilanthus tithymaloides</i> | Sap |
| Clematis | <i>Clematis</i> spp. | All parts |
| Coral plant | <i>Jatropha multifida</i> | Seeds |
| Cowslip | <i>Caltha polustris</i> | Seeds |
| Crocus (autumn) | <i>Cholchicum autumnale</i> | All parts |
| Cycad, or Sago Cycas | <i>Cycas revoluta</i> | All parts |
| Daffodil | <i>Narcissus</i> spp | Bulbs |
| Daphne | <i>Daphne</i> spp. | Berries |
| Datura | <i>Datura</i> spp. | Berries |
| Deadly amanita | <i>Amanita muscaria</i> | All parts |
| Death camas | <i>Zygadenis elegans</i> | All parts |
| Delphinium | <i>Delphinium</i> spp. | All parts |
| Devil's Ivy | <i>Epipremnum aureum</i> | All parts |
| Dieffenbachia | <i>Dieffenbachia picta</i> | Leaves |
| Eggplant | <i>Solanaceae</i> spp. | All parts but fruit |
| Elderberry | <i>Sambucus mexicana</i> , | Roots, leaves, stems, bark |
| Elephant's ear (taro) | <i>Colocasis</i> spp. | Leaves, stem |

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| English ivy | <i>Ilex aquifolium</i> | Berries, leaves |
| English yew | <i>Taxus baccata</i> | Needles, seeds |
| Euonymus | <i>Euonymus</i> spp. | Fruit, bark, leaves |
| European Pennyroyal | <i>Mentha pulegium</i> | |
| False henbane | <i>Veratrum woodii</i> | All parts |
| Figs | <i>Ficus</i> spp | Sap |
| Fly agaric mushroom (deadly amanita) | <i>Amanita muscaria</i> | All parts |
| Four o'clock | <i>Mirabilis jalapa</i> | All parts |
| Foxglove | <i>Digitalis purpurea</i> | Leaves, seeds |
| Golden chain (laburnum) | <i>Laburnum anagyroides</i> | All parts, especially seeds |
| Heliotrope | <i>Heliotropium</i> spp., | Leaves |
| Hemlock | <i>poison Conium</i> spp. | All parts, especially roots and seeds |
| Hemlock | <i>water Conium</i> spp. | All parts especially roots and seeds |
| Henbane | <i>Hyocyanamus niger</i> | Seeds |
| Holly | <i>Ilex</i> spp. | Berries |
| Horse chestnut | <i>Aesculus</i> spp. | Nuts, twigs |
| Horse Nettle | <i>Solanum carolinense</i> | All parts |
| Hyacinth | <i>Hyacinthinus orientalis</i> | Bulbs |
| Hydrangea | <i>Hydrangea</i> spp. | Flower, bud |
| Indian turnip (jackinthepulpit) | <i>Arisaema triphyllum</i> | All parts |
| Iris (blue flag) | <i>Iris</i> spp. | Bulbs |
| Ivy (Boston, English, and some others) | <i>Hedera</i> spp. | All parts |

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| Japanese yew | <i>Taxus cuspidata</i> | Needles, seeds |
| Java bean (lima bean) | <i>Phaseolus lunatus</i> | Uncooked beans |
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| Jerusalem cherry | <i>Solanum pseudocapsicum</i> | Berries |
| Jessamine, Yellow | <i>Gelsemium sempervirens</i> , | Leaves, stems |
| Jonquil | <i>Narcissus jonquilla</i> | All parts |
| Jimsonweed (thornapple) | <i>Datura</i> spp. | Leaves, seeds |
| Juniper | <i>Juniperus virginiana</i> | Needles, stems, berries |
| Lantana | <i>Lantana</i> spp. | Immature berries |
| Larkspur | <i>Delphinium</i> spp. | All parts |
| Laurel Kalmia, Ledum | <i>Rhododendron</i> spp. | All parts |
| Lilly of the valley | <i>Convallaria majalis</i> | All parts, including the water in which they have been kept |
| Lobelia | <i>Lobelia</i> spp. | All parts |
| Locoweed | <i>Astragalus mollissimus</i> | All parts |
| Lords and ladies (cuckoopint) | <i>arum</i> spp. | All parts |
| Lupine | <i>Lupinus</i> spp. | All parts |
| Marijuana | <i>Cannabis sativa</i> | Leaves |
| Mayapple | <i>Podophyllum</i> spp. | All parts, except fruit |
| Mescal bean | <i>Sophora</i> spp. | Seeds |
| Mistletoe | <i>Santalales</i> spp. | Berries |
| Milkweed | <i>Asclepias</i> spp. | All parts |
| Mock orange | <i>Poncirus</i> spp. | Fruit |
| Monkshood | <i>Aconitum</i> spp. | Leaves, roots |
| Moonseed | <i>Menispermum canadense</i> | All parts |

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| Morning glory | <i>Ipomoea spp.</i> | All parts |
| Mushrooms | <i>Amantia spp. and many others</i> | All parts |
| Narcissus | <i>Narcissus spp.</i> | Bulbs |
| Nightshades (all types) | <i>Solanum spp.</i> | Berries, leaves |
| Oak | <i>Quercus</i> | Acorn, young plant |
| Oleander | <i>Nerium oleander</i> | Leaves, branches, nectar of blossoms |
| Pennyroyal | <i>Mentha pulegium</i> | All parts |
| Peach | <i>Prunus persica</i> | Leaves, pit, bark |
| Peony | <i>Paeonia officinalis</i> | All parts |
| Periwinkle | <i>Vinca minor, Vinca rosea</i> | All parts |
| Peyote | <i>Lophophora williamsii</i> | All parts |
| Philodendron | <i>Philodendron spp.</i> | Leaves, stems |
| Figweed | <i>Amaranthus spp.</i> | All parts |
| Pittosporum | <i>Pittosporacea</i> | All parts |
| Plum | <i>Prunus spp.</i> | Leaves, pit, bark |
| Poison Hemlock | <i>Conium maculatum</i> | All parts |
| Poison ivy | <i>Toxicodendron radicans</i> | Sap |
| Poison oak | <i>Toxicodendron quercifolium</i> | Sap |
| Poison Sumac | <i>Rhus vernix</i> | All parts |
| Poinsettia | <i>Euphorbia pulcherrima</i> | Leaves, flowers |
| Pokeweed (inkberry) | <i>Phytolacca americana</i> | Leaves, roots, immature berries |
| Poppy | <i>Papaver somniferum and related spp.</i> | All parts |
| Potato | <i>Solanum tuberosum</i> | Eyes and new shoots |
| Pothos | <i>Eprimmun aureum</i> | All parts |

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| Primrose | <i>Primula spp.</i> | All parts |
| Privet | <i>Ligustrum vulgare</i> | All parts, including berries |
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| Ragwort | <i>Senecio jacobea and related spp.</i> | All parts |
| Red Maple | <i>Acer rubrum</i> | All parts |
| Rhododendron | <i>Rhododendron spp.</i> | All parts |
| Rhubarb | <i>Rheum rhabonticum</i> | Leaves |
| Rosary pea (Indian licorice) | <i>Abrus precatorius</i> | Seeds |
| Sage | <i>Salvia officinalis</i> | All parts |
| Sedum | <i>Sedum</i> | All parts |
| Shamrock Plant | <i>Medicago lupulina, Trifolium repens, Oxalis acetosella</i> | All parts |
| Skunk cabbage | <i>Symplocarpus foetidus</i> | All parts |
| Snowdrop | <i>Ornithogalum umbellatum</i> | All parts, especially buds |
| Snow on the mountain (ghostweed) | <i>Euphorbia marginata</i> | All parts |
| Sorrel | <i>Rumex spp., Oxalis spp.</i> | All parts |
| Spindle Tree | <i>Euonymus</i> | Leaves, fruit, bark |
| Spurges | <i>Euphorbia spp.</i> | All parts |
| Star of Bethlehem | <i>Ornithogalum umbellatum</i> | All parts |
| Sweet pea | <i>Lathyrus latifolius</i> | Seeds and fruit |
| Tansy | <i>Tanacetum vulgare</i> | All parts |
| Tobacco | <i>Nicotinia spp.</i> | Leaves |
| Tomato | <i>Lycopersicon esculentum</i> | Stems and leaves |
| Tulip | <i>Tulipa spp.</i> | All parts |

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| Vetches | <i>Vicia spp.</i> | All parts |
| Virginia creeper | <i>FatHenocissu quinquefolia</i> | Sap |
| Water Hemlock | <i>Cicuta spp.</i> | |
| Waxberry | <i>Symphoricarpos albus</i> | |
| Western yew | <i>Taxus breviflora</i> | Needles, seeds |
| Wisteria | <i>Wisteria spp.</i> | All parts |
| Yam bean | <i>Pachyrhizus erosus</i> | Roots, immature pods |

Source: Adapted from American Medical Association Handbook of Poisonous and Injurious Plants (Chicago: American Medical Association, 1985); R. Dean Axelson, Caring For Your Pet Bird (Poole-Dorset, England: Blanford Press, 1984) Gary Gallerstein, Bird Owner's Home Health and Care Handbook (New York: Howell Book House, 1984); Greg J. Harrison and Linda R. Harrison, eds., Clinical Avian Medicine and Surgery (Philadelphia: W.B. Saunders, 1986) and John M. Kingsbury, Poisonous Plants of the United States and Canada (Englewood Cliffs, N.J.: Prentice-Hall, 1964). Alicia McWatters, Ph.D., C.N.C.

We would also like to note that fruit from Chile has recently been found to have too high pesticide content for birds even after washing.

Bamboo - please be aware that Bamboo can splinter - only give leaves / foliage.

Common Household Poisons

Paradise Park

Acetone, Alcohol, Ammonia, Antifreeze, Ant syrup or paste, Arsenic, Asbestos, Bathroom bowl cleaner, Bleach, Boric acid, Camphophenique, Carbon monoxide, Carbon tetrachloride, Carpetfresh, Cat bite, Charcoal lighter, Chocolate, Chlorine, Clintest tablets, Copper and brass cleaners, Corn and wart remover, Crayons, Deodorants, Detergents, Disinfectants, Drain cleaners, Epoxy glue, Fabric softeners, Febreze, Garbage toxins, Garden sprays, Gasoline, Gun cleaner, Gunpowder, Hair dyes, Herbicides, Hexachlorophene (in some soaps), Indelible markers, Insecticides, Iodine Kerosene, Lead, Lighter fluid, Linoleum (contains lead salts), Matches, Model glue, Mothballs, Muriatic acid, Mushrooms (some varieties), Nail Polish, Nail polish remove, Nicotine, Oven cleaner, Paint, Paint remover, Paint thinner, Perfume, Permanent wave solutions, Pesticides, Photographic solutions, Pine oil Plants, Prescription and non-prescription drugs, Red squill, Rodenticides, Rubbing alcohol, Scented candles, Shaving lotion, Silver polish, Snail bait, Spot remover, Spray starch, Strychnine, Sulphuric acid, Suntan lotion, Super glue, Teflon (in pans, furniture and clothing), Turpentine, Weed killers, Window cleaners, Zinc.

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Common Poisonous Substances

Acids, Alkalis, Petroleum Products, Dishwasher detergent, Drain cleaner, Floor polish, Furniture polish, Gasoline, Kerosene, Paint remover, Paint thinner, Shoe polish, Toilet bowl cleaner, Wax (floor or furniture), Wood preservative. (Source: Sheldon Gerstenfeld, The Bird Care Book (Reading, Mass.: Addison-Wesley, 1981)

Plants Considered Toxic to Birds

(The following is a list of some potentially toxic plants. Be sure you correctly identified all plants in your bird's environment. When using these lists, ensure you use the Scientific Name to identify Plants, if uncertain remove the plant). (Abbreviations: Spp=subspecies, Sp=species)



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