



# Cats and dangerous outdoor plants



## Toxic      Caution advised

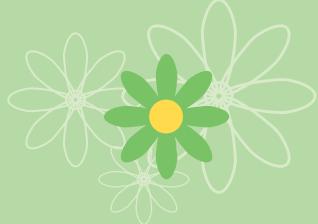
- \* Azalea (rhododendron family)
- \* Chrysanthemum\*  
– contains pyrethrin found in dog flea treatment
- \* Crocus autumn\*  
(*coldchicum autumnale*, *crocus sativus*, liliaceae)
- \* Day lily (*hemerocallis*)
- \* Delphinium (larkspur)
- \* Foxglove (*digitalis*)
- \* Fritillary (snakeshead)
- \* Gloriosa superba (glory lily, flame lily, climbing lily)
- \* Juniper\* (savin, *sabina*) berries
- \* Lily (*lilium*, *hemerocallis*) – all lilies
- \* Lily of the valley (*convallaria majalis*)
- \* Nerium oleander (dogbane family)
- \* Nicotiana (flowering tobacco)
- \* Ornithogalum umbellatum (star of Bethlehem)
- \* Rhododendron (azalea)
- \* Rhubarb
- \* Tomato plant\* (*solanum*)
- \* Vinca minor (periwinkle)
- \* Yew (*taxus*)
  
- \* Achillea\* (yarrow, milfoil, carpenter's weed)
- \* Aconite\* (monkshood, *eranthis hyemalis*, *scilla mischtschenkoana*, wolf's bane)
- \* Agapanthus\* (African blue lily)
- \* Allium (ornamental onion, garlic, lily leek)
- \* Ammi (bullwort, common bishop's weed)
- \* Alstroemeria\* (Peruvian lily, lily of Incas)
- \* Amaryllis\* (*hippeastrum*)
- \* Anemone\* (Grecian windflower)
- \* Anthurium\* (flamingo flower, see indoor plant)
- \* Aquilegia (columbine)
- \* Begonia (garden angel)
- \* Bergenia (elephant's ears, *saxifragaceae*)
- \* Bird of paradise (*strelitzia*)
- \* Bluebell (*hyacinthoides*)
- \* Borage (starflower)
- \* Broom (*cytisus*)
- \* Bupleurum falcatum\* (sickle-leaved hare's ear)
- \* Buttercup\* (*ranunculus*)
- \* Buxus\* (boxwood)
- \* Calla lily\* (*zantedeschia*)
- \* Carnation\* (pinks, *dianthus*, sweet William, *solomio*)
- \* Cestrum (*solanales*, jasmine)
- \* Chives (*allium schoenoprasum*)
- \* Clematis\* (part of *ranunculus* family)
- \* Coleus (*solenostemon*, Indian borage, stinging thyme)
- \* Cordyline (cabbage tree)
- \* Cotoneaster rosaceae

- \* Cyclamen
- \* Daffodils – flower and bulb (*narcissus*, *jonquil*)
- \* Dahlia\*
- \* Daphne (*thymelaeaceae*)
- \* Elderberry (*sambucus*)
- \* Eucalyptus\* (gum tree)
- \* Euonymus (wintercreeper, spindle)
- \* Euphorbia\* (spurge)
- \* Fern (*adiantum*)
- \* Gardenia\* (cape jasmine)
- \* Gaultheria
- \* Geranium\* (cranesbill, *pelargonium*)
- \* Gladioli bulb (sword lily)
- \* Gypsophila (baby's breath)
- \* Hedera\* (ivy)
- \* Helenium\*
- \* Heliotrope (*boraginaceae*)
- \* Helleborus\* (Christmas rose, Easter rose, *ranunculaceae*)
- \* Horse chestnut (*aesculus hippocastanum*)
- \* Hosta (plaintain lily, funkia)
- \* Hyacinths\* – bulb
- \* Hydrangea\*
- \* Hypericum\* (St John's wort)
- \* Ilex (holly)
- \* Iris\* (flag, snake lily)
- \* Juniper (*communis*) berries
- \* Lantana
- \* Laurus nobilis (bay laurel)
- \* Lavender (*lavandula*)
- \* Lemon verbena
- \* Lobelia (cardinal flower)
- \* Lonicera (honeysuckle)
- \* Lupin (*baptisia*)
- \* Malus (crabapple/apple)
- \* Marigold\* (*tagetes*)
- \* Mistletoe\*
- \* Morning glory (*convolvulaceae*)
- \* Ornithogalum umbellatum (star of Bethlehem)
- \* Peony
- \* Physalis (Peruvian ground cherry, nightshade)
- \* Poinsettia\* (euphorbia, Christmas flower)
- \* Polyanthus\* (*primula*, primrose)
- \* Poppy (*papaver*)
- \* Privet\* (*ligustrum japonicum/vulgare*)
- \* Ranunculus\*
- \* Rudbeckia\* (black-eyed Susan)
- \* Ruscus (butcher's broom, *asparagaceae*)
- \* Scilla (squills)
- \* Snowdrop\* (*galanthus*)
- \* Sweet peas (*lathyrus*)
- \* Tulips\* – bulb
- \* Wisteria

\* contact with these plants may cause skin irritation



# Cats and safe outdoor plants



- ✿ African daisy (arctotis, osteospermum)
- ✿ Alyssum
- ✿ Antirrhinum (snapdragon)
- ✿ Argyranthemum (marguerite)
- ✿ Aster
- ✿ Astilbe
- ✿ Bacopa (sutera cordata)
- ✿ Betula (birch)
- ✿ Buddleia (buddleja, butterfly bush)
- ✿ Busy lizzies (impatiens, balsam, sultana)
- ✿ Calendula (marigold asteraceae) –  
note: Marigold tagetes are on 'caution advised' list
- ✿ Camellia
- ✿ Celosia (cockscomb)
- ✿ Chaenomeles (quince)
- ✿ Choisya (Mexican orange blossom)
- ✿ Cistus
- ✿ Cornflower (asteraceae, centaurea cyanus)
- ✿ Cosmos
- ✿ Crocosmia
- ✿ Cupressus leylandii (cypress)
- ✿ Diascias (twinspur)
- ✿ Echinacea (coneflower)
- ✿ Echinops (globe thistle)
- ✿ Fagus (beech)
- ✿ Forsythia
- ✿ Freesia
- ✿ Fuchsia
- ✿ Gazania (treasure flower)
- ✿ Gerbera (gerbera daisy)
- ✿ Heuchera (coral bells)
- ✿ Hollyhock
- ✿ Jasminium (jasmine)
- ✿ Leucospermum
- ✿ Lisianthus (eustoma)
- ✿ Limonium (statice, sea lavender, caspia, marsh-rosemary)
- ✿ Magnolia

- ✿ Moluccella (bells of Ireland)
- ✿ Myosotis (forget-me-not)
- ✿ Muscari (lily turf, grape hyacinth)
- ✿ Nasturtium (tropaeolum)
- ✿ Nemesia
- ✿ Nepeta (cat mint)
- ✿ Nigella
- ✿ Olive
- ✿ Pansy (viola)
- ✿ Petunias (calibrachoa, million bells)
- ✿ Philadelphus (mock orange blossom)
- ✿ Phlox
- ✿ Photinia (red robin)
- ✿ Pittosporum
- ✿ Potentilla (cinquefoil)
- ✿ Pussy willow (salix)
- ✿ Quercus (oak)
- ✿ Rose
- ✿ Rosemary
- ✿ Sage (salvia)
- ✿ Salvia (sage)
- ✿ Scabiosa (scabious)
- ✿ Sedum (stonecrop)
- ✿ Spirea
- ✿ Stock (brompton, common, hoary, gilly-flower, matthiola incana)
- ✿ Sunflowers (helianthus)
- ✿ Sword fern (nephrolepsis biserrata)
- ✿ Trachelium (throatwort)
- ✿ Valeriana officinalis (centranthus ruber)
- ✿ Veronica (spike speedwell)
- ✿ Viburnum tinus (laurustinus)
- ✿ Violets
- ✿ Wallflower (erysimum)
- ✿ Waxflower (chamelaucium)
- ✿ Weigela
- ✿ Zinnia



# Cats and indoor plants



## Toxic    Caution advised    Safe

- \* Cycad (cycas revolute, sago palm, zamia, fern palm)
- \* Alocasia (elephant ear, dwarf taro, malanga, caladium)
- \* Aloe vera (liliaceae family)
- \* Ant plant (hydnophytum papuanum, maze plant)
- \* Anthurium (tail flower, flamingo flower, laceleaf, pigtail plant, giant laceleaf)
- \* Arrow head vine (syngonium neon robusta, nephthytis, African evergreen)
- \* Asparagus fern\* (emerald fern, emerald feather, pumosa fern, sprengeri fern, lace fern, shatavari)
- \* Bird of paradise (strelitzia reginae, crane flower, strelizia Nicolai, white bird of paradise, wild banana)
- \* Caryota mitis\* (fishtail palm)
- \* Castanospermum (moreton bay chestnut, black bean, Australian chestnut)
- \* Cheese plant\* (monstera deliciosa, ceriman, custard plant, Indian ivy, fruit salad plant, Mexican breadfruit, monstera adansonii, monkey plant)
- \* Chinese evergreen (aglaonema)
- \* Clusia
- \* Dracaena (corn plant, massangeana, Janet Craig, dragon plant, dragon tree, ribbon plant – note: not same as safe ribbon plant – see Spider plant)
- \* Dumb cane (dieffenbachia) – all varieties
- \* English ivy (hedera helix, common ivy, European ivy)
- \* Ficus benjamina (Benjamin tree, java fig, java tree, small-leaved rubber plant, tropic laurel, Indian rubber plant, weeping fig)
- \* Fig or ficus (fiddle leaf fig, ficus lyrata, banjo fig, ficus lyrata bambino)
- \* Homalomena rubescens (red shield plant, queen of hearts)
- \* Iron cross begonia (begonia masoniana)
- \* Jade plant (crassula argentea, Chinese/Japanese dwarf rubber plant)
- \* Kalanchoe (oak leaf plant, mother-in-law plant, devil's backbone, chandelier plant, feltbush, feltplant, velvetleaf)
- \* Peace lily (spathiphyllum wallisii, white sails)
- \* Pencil cactus (cactus euphorbia tirucalli, candelabra tree, cactus spurge)
- \* Philodendron (scandens, heart leaf, sweetheart plant, philodendron imperial green, araceae, monstera)
- \* Poinsettia\* (euphorbia, Christmas flower)
- \* Polyscias fabian\* (dinner plate aralia, ployscias aralia)
- \* Pothos, golden, satin, silk, neon (devil's ivy, taro vine, Rapunzel, ceylon creeper, ivy arum, epipremnum aureum)
- \* Rubber plant (ficus elastica, ficus robusta)

- \* Sansevieria (snake plant, mother-in-law's tongue, viper's bowstring hemp)
- \* Schefflera (umbrella tree rubber, Australian ivy palm, starleaf, octopus tree)
- \* Tradescantia\* (wandering Jew plant, speedy Henry)
- \* Yucca (asparagaceae family, agavoideae)
- \* Zamioculcas zamiifolia (zz plant, Zanzibar gem, fern arum)
- \* Aeschynanthus japhrolepsis (lipstick plant)
- \* Alocasia portodora (Chinese money plant, pilea, pancake plant)
- \* Aspidistra (cast iron plant, bar room plant, aspidistra elatior)
- \* Boston fern (sword fern, nephrolepis exaltata)
- \* Bromeliad (neoregelia pink sensation, aregelia)
- \* Calathea orbifolia (calathea zebrina, zebra plant, maranta, insignis, peacock plant, rattle snake plant, red veined prayer plant)
- \* Calathea (prayer plant, calathea medallion, calathea sanderiana, pin stripe calathea)
- \* Ceropegia woodii (string of hearts, hearts entangled, sweetheart vine)
- \* Christmas cactus (schlumbergera, Easter cactus, November cactus)
- \* Cissus dicolor (grape ivy, climbing begonia, vitaceae)
- \* Cocos nucifera (coconut palm)
- \* Crocodile fern
- \* Curly spider plant (chlorophytum comosum, variegated spider plant, airplane plant, ribbon plant)
- \* Delosperma echinatum
- \* Fishbone cactus
- \* Hoya (wax flower, hoya carnosa tricolor, honey plant)
- \* Kentia palm (howea forseriana, thatch palm, paradise palm)
- \* Maidenhair fern (adiantum, Venus' hair fern)
- \* Money tree (pachira aquatica)
- \* Musa dwarf cavendish (banana dwarf cavendish)
- \* Orchids
- \* Parlour palm (chamaedorea elegans, neanthe bella palm, fishtail dwarf palm, good luck palm, bamboo palm)
- \* Phlebodium aureum (polypody, blue star fern)
- \* Sedum – many varieties, safe
- \* Watermelon peperomia (peperomia argyreia, watermelon begonia)
- \* Zebra plant (haworthia fascinata)  
– looks similar to aloe vera but this is safe

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- Asiatic lily (*lilium x asiatica*)
- Convallaria (lily of the valley)
- Easter lily (*lilium longiflorum*)
- Japanese showy lily (*lilium hybridum*)
- Madonna lily (*lilium candidum*)
- Roselily™\*  
– this is a lily, it has no pollen but all parts still toxic
- Royal lily (*lilium regale*)
- Rubrum lily (*lilium rubrum*)
- Stargazer lily, oriental lily (*lilium orientalis*)
- Star of Bethlehem (*ornithogalum*)
- Tiger lily (*lilium lancifolium, tigrinum*)
- Western or wood lily (*lilium umbellatum*)

- Astilbe (false goatsbeard)
- Camellia
- Celosia (cockscomb)
- Cymbidium orchid
- Dendrobium orchid
- Echinops (globe thistle)
- Freesia
- Gerbera
- Leucospermum (pincushion protea)
- Lisianthus (*eustoma*)
- Limonium (*statice, caspia*, sea-lavender)
- Bells of Ireland (*moluccella*)
- Muscari (grape hyacinth)
- Oncidium orchid (golden shower orchid)
- Phalaenopsis orchid (moth orchid)
- Rose
- Snapdragon (*antirrhinum*)
- Statice – see Limonium
- Stock (*matthiola*)
- Sunflower (*helianthus*)
- Trachelium *caeruleum* (throatwort)
- Vanda orchid
- Veronica (speedwell)
- Waxflower (*chamelaucium uncinatum*)
- Zinnia elegans

**Foliage:**

- Olive (*olea europaea*)
- Pittosporum
- Pussy willow (*salix caprea*)
- Rosemary
- Sword fern (*nephrolepis exaltata*)

- Achillea (yarrow)
- Allium
- Alstroemeria\* (Peruvian lily)
- Ammi (Queen Anne's lace)
- Anemone (windflower)
- Anthurium (flamingo flower)
- Bupleurum  
(*bupleurum rotundifolium griffithii*, hare's ear)
- Broom (*cytisus*)
- Calla lily (*zantedeschia aethiopica*, arum lily)
- Carnation (*dianthus*, clove pink)
- Cestrum
- Chrysanthemum
- Clematis
- Craspedia (Billy buttons)
- Dahlia
- Daffodil (*narcissus*)
- Delphinium (larkspur)
- Euphorbia\* (spurge)
- Gladiolus
- Gloriosa (glory lily, flame lily)
- Gypsophila
- Hyacinth
- Hippeastrum (amaryllis)
- Hydrangea
- Iris
- Lavender (*lavandula*)
- Peony (*paeonia lactiflora*)
- Poppy (*papaver*)
- Physalis *alkekengi* (winter cherry, Chinese lantern)
- Ranunculus
- Scilla (squill)
- September flower (aster, michelmas daisy)
- Strelitzia (bird of paradise)
- Sweet pea (*lathyrus*)
- Sweet William (*dianthus barbatus*)
- Tagetes (African marigold)
- Tanacetum (tansy)
- Tulip (*tulipa*)

**Foliage:**

- Asparagus fern (*asparagus setaceus*)
- Eucalyptus
- Salal (*gaultheria shallon*)
- Holly (*ilex*)
- Hypericum (St John's wort)
- Ivy (*hedera helix*)
- Privet (*ligustrum*)
- Ruscus (*rucus aculeatus*, soft ruscus and *rucus hypophyllum*, hard ruscus)
- Senecio (daisy bush, *brachyglottis greyi*)

\* contact with these plants may be sufficient to cause skin irritation