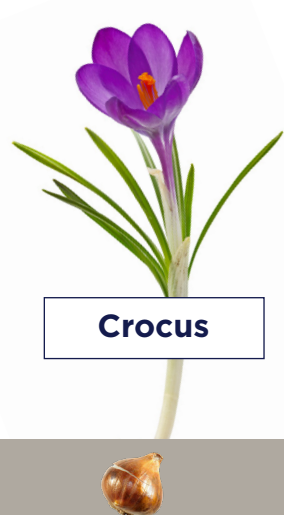




# Watch out for these toxic plants

Spring means fresh blooms—and new dangers for our pets. Here's what you need to know.

## Beware of these toxic flowers



Crocus



Tulips



Hyacinths



Irises



Daffodils

**NOTE:** The bulbs are the most toxic parts of these plants



### Pet-safe flowers to consider:

Petunias, snapdragons, African violets, impatiens, camellia



## Spotlight on true lilies

**True lilies are very dangerous for cats.** All parts of the flower, even the pollen, can cause fatal acute kidney injury if ingested. True lilies include Easter, tiger, Japanese show, statgazer, rubrum, and rose lilies.



**Calla, day, and peace lilies are not true lilies** but may cause other concerns if ingested.

## Other popular but highly toxic plants



Sago palm



Foxglove



Oleander



Japanese yew



### Pet-safe plants to consider:

Burro's tail, areca palm, spider plant, baby tears, calathea

**Remember:** Plants listed as non-toxic are not expected to be life-threatening to your pets. However, the consumption of any plant material may cause vomiting and gastrointestinal upset for dogs and cats.

## Fertilizer warning!

Some fertilizers contain pesticides or insecticides, including carbamates and organophosphates, which are toxic for pets.

Fertilizers containing bone meal can block the gastrointestinal tract when consumed in large amounts. Small amounts of blood meal and iron fertilizers can be toxic if ingested.

**Remember to always store lawn products securely in a shed or locked bin.**



## Signs of poisoning

- Excessive salivation
- Racing or irregular pulse
- Vomiting or diarrhea
- Tremors or seizures
- Lethargy
- Rapid breathing
- Cold extremities

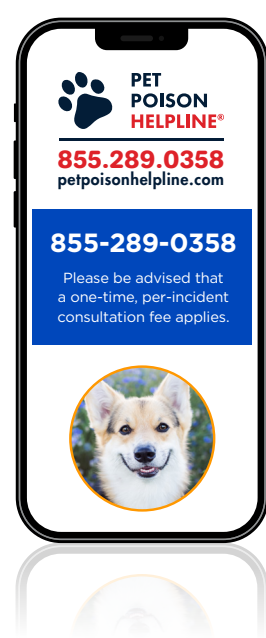


*Vulnerability depends on species, amount ingested and pet size.*

**Please note:** These are general signs and not limited to poisoning situations.

**Average cost of plant poisoning: \$728<sup>†</sup>**

<sup>†</sup>2021 Nationwide claims data



## What to do if you suspect poisoning

If you think your pet may have consumed something harmful, call the Pet Poison Helpline immediately to assess the potential health risk to your pet. A one-time, per-incident consultation fee applies.

### Information to have on hand when calling:

- What was ingested or touched, how much and where
- Estimated time of incident
- Pet's current weight and medical history
- A sample of the plant or vomit

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