# Protect Your Pet

# From Harmful Garden Plants This Summer

# How plants poison pets...

## Dogs

• Puppies are most at risk as they tend to chew plants, flowers and bulbs more than adult dogs



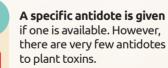
### Cats

- Poisoning from outdoor plants is very rare in cats (poisonings due to indoor cats ingesting houseplants are more common)
- Young inquisitive cats and kittens are most at risk
- During grooming, cats may accidentally ingest bits of poisonous plant or seeds caught in their coat.

# **Rabbits**

- Rabbits may ingest poisonous plants if :
  - they are mixed in with their usual food
  - there is no other food available
- Rabbits are unable to vomit, so any ingested plant will go right through their digestive system.

#### What Happens at the Vets?



Vomiting may be induced medically, if it is not too long since the plant was ingested

#### Supportive treatment is provided:

- To relieve any symptoms
- that develop

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- To help maintain organ function To help clear toxins out of your
- pets system as quickly as possible



commonly found Plants that are Harmful to Dogs, cats and Rabbits



24 toxic

ingestion

# FOXGLOVE

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RHODODENRONS

harmful if chewed or swallowed

the mouth, vomiting, diarrhoea,

depression, breathing difficulties

blood pressure, severe weakness of the legs, in-coordination and

Ingestion can cause irritation of

🐖 All parts of the plant can be

and a high heart rate

can even be fatal.

Severe cases can cause an

irregular heart beat, drop in

Eleaves and seeds are harmful

👽 Ingestion can cause vomiting, diarrhoea, an irregular heart beat, and even heart failure and death.





☑ Ingestion of large amounts of the leaves can cause drooling, kidney failure. tremors and can potentially be fatal.





If you would like further advice about the possible hazards of any garden or houseplants, please don't hesitate to phone our Park Veterinary practice on 0114 2363391 and speak to a member of our staff.

#### What To Do if You Think Your Pet Has Ingested a Poisonous Plant

Signs of plant poisoning often include drooling, mouth irritation, vomiting, and diarrhoea. If you suspect your pet has eaten a harmful plant:



Contact our practice immediately; do not wait for symptoms to appear

Do not try and make your cat or dog vomit (rabbits are unable to vomit) unless specifically directed by one of our vets

Try and recall when and how much of the plant may have been ingested

Watch your pet carefully for any abnormal signs

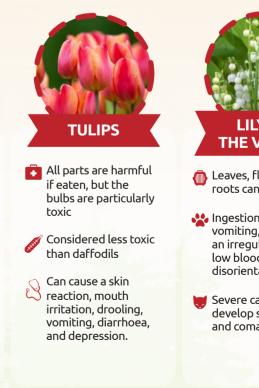
Bring your pet and the plant with you to the practice

# Emergency Tel: 0114 2363391

- All parts are harmful if eaten, but the bulbs are particularly
- Can cause a skin reaction
- Ingestion can cause vomiting, diarrhoea, abdominal pain, an irregular heart beat, tremors, convulsions, and a serious drop in blood pressure.
- Signs can be seen from 15 minutes to one day following
- 📩 Can be fatal



- Ingestion of leaves and berries can cause, drooling, vomiting and diarrhoea
- In severe cases there may be blood present in the vomit and faeces
- Contact with ivy can also cause itchy skin reactions with a rash and sore, reddened eyes





- Leaves, flowers and the roots can be harmful
- lngestion can cause vomiting, diarrhoea, an irregular heart-beat, low blood pressure and disorientation
- Severe cases can develop seizures and coma.