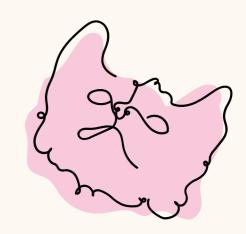


Spring Toxins. Is your home safe for your pets?



Xylitol

It is in mints, candy, vitamins, gum, Easter candy, and some desserts. Symptoms of xylitol poisoning are tremors, weakness, ataxia, vomiting, and seizures.

Easter Treats & Food

Easter basket grass can cause an intestinal blockage. Cake, buttery food, fried food, meats, gravy and raisins can cause an upset stomach or pancreatitis.

Mulch

Mulch has cocoa bean shells, pesticide, mycotoxin mold. Mulch can cause vomiting, diarrhea, tremors or seizures.

Lilies

All parts of Lily plants are toxic, and cause kidney failure and death. Symptoms include vomiting, seizures & cardiac arrhythmia.

Azaleas

Azaleas have grayanotoxins that affect skeletal and cardiac muscles. Symptoms: drool, vomit, weakness, arrhythmias.

Daffodils

The plant has an alkaloid called lycorine. Symptoms are vomiting, drooling, diarrhea, arrhythmia, and pain.

Cocoa & Chocolate

Light, dark & bakers chocolate have theobromine and caffeine which are toxic to cats and dogs. Symptoms are vomiting, diarrhea, increased heart rate and restlessness.

Onions

Onions, leeks, garlic, and chives, are toxic to pets. Symptoms are pain, lethargy, vomiting, drooling, increased cardiac rate and hemolytic anemia.

Hydrangeas

Hydrangeas have cyanogenic glycoside that can cause symptoms such as diarrhea, vomiting, or lethargy.

Irises

Irises and bulbs cause skin irritation if eaten or handled. Any part of an Iris will cause drool, vomit, diarrhea, and lethargy.

Hyacinths & Tulips

Both have allergenic lactones. The most toxic part of the plant is the bulb. Look for fast heart rate, diarrhea, drooling, or vomiting.

Fertilizers & Pesticides

Both are toxic and can be fatal. They cause diarrhea, fast heart rate, drooling, or vomiting. Seek immediate veterinary advice.

References

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