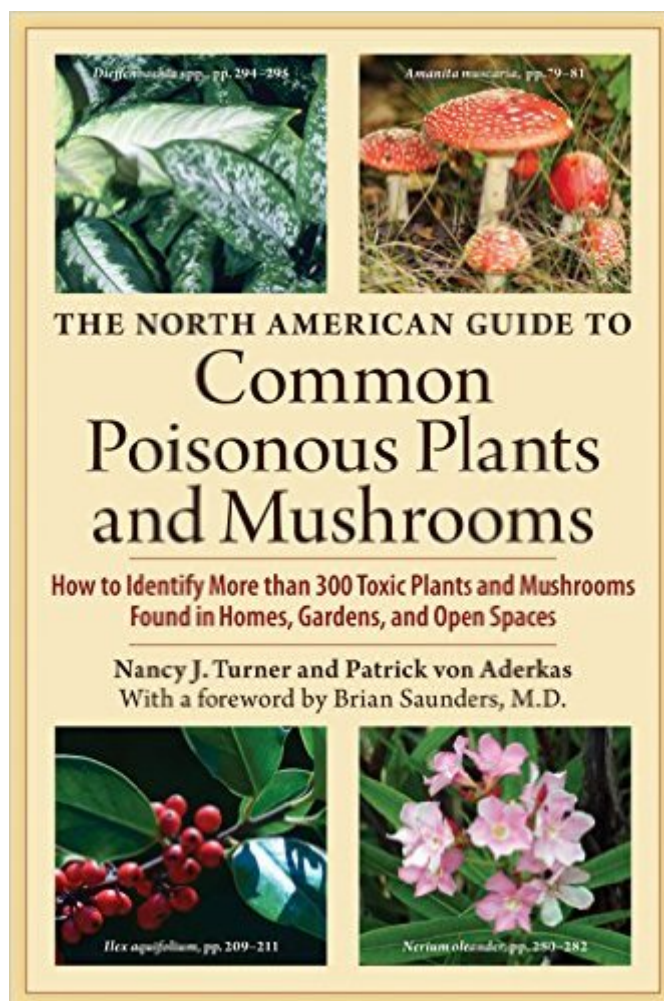


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# The North American Guide To Common Poisonous Plants And Mushrooms



## Synopsis

If people knew how many poisonous plants are commonly found in homes and gardens, they'd be shocked. Plants as common as monkshood, castorbean, and oleander are not just dangerous, they're deadly. The North American Guide to Common Poisonous Plants and Mushrooms is a comprehensive, easy-to-use handbook. The book is split into four main categories: mushrooms, wild plants, ornamental and crop plants, and houseplants. Each plant entry includes a clear photograph to aid the task of identification, a description of the plant, notes on where they commonly occur, and a description of their toxic properties. Plants are listed by common name to assist the non-specialist.

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This is a beautiful book, both in the quality of the photos and the depth and readability of the information within. Perhaps its greatest strength is that it covers both native plant species and cultivated garden plants. This book is enough to convince any parent of the wisdom of edible plant gardening, and to shy away from the deadly, flashy ornamentals.

Common Poisonous Plants by Dr. Nancy Turner is the top of the line field guide to deadly botanical beauties you could come across while exploring the great outdoors. This book is top quality in information, details, poisoning symptoms, and content! It is well worth the expense, which is a good amount. The book itself contains, plants, mushrooms, and fungi that could be hazardous to humans

and animals alike. The main highlight, by far, is the toxicity section on each of the poisonous plants. The symptoms of ingestion, (contamination) are well described and could easily compell the reader to shudder. The symptoms are specific to every single plant, so that an infected person's life could easily and efficiently be saved. There is also a very helpful insight on treatment of potential poisoning. The book is so specific, it even tells you the degree of toxicity! Unfortunately, this book is very expensive and going out of print. So, any hardcore naturalist or interested botanist should purchase this online ASAP!

I really like this book. I recommend it as a necessary companion to any edible plant book. I've put it side by side with my edible plant books and they aren't mentioning the dangerous things you should know. Ie. that the problem with wheat grasses is fungi that can make you very sick and is potentially deadly. I give this book lauds for pointing out the choking hazards - on barbed grasses and with other plants. It even tells about common spices - ie. nutmeg is poisonous and hallucinogenic if you eat over 10 grams. I'm glad this book really presses the point of several poisonous plants that are easily mistaken for edible ones. Let's not forget the real kid from the into the wild book most likely died from mistaking a poisonous plant with an edible one (very easy to do). If you're into edible plants, this is exactly the kind of book that you need to add to your collection.

I am a wild edible plant enthusiast with a lot of experience, and no book covers the poisonous plants as extensively as this one. It's a great addition to every forager's collection. You should know these plants as well as you know the edible ones. Not only does it keep me informed about various dangerous plants and toxins, it also served as a great resource one time when someone I knew ate something that was potentially deadly. They forced themselves to throw up so they were okay, but this book proved crucial in convincing people to act quickly.

The most comprehensive guide to the dangerous flora and fungi one might come across while camping and hiking. The entries are informative and surprisingly entertaining. The book includes color photos to aid in identification, as well as descriptions of the toxins and their effects.

I purchased this as a gift for a survival pack for someone. The pictures illustrated are well done as well as in depth descriptions of what it looks like and what it does. Received very quickly. Would recommend to others.

An excellent reference for Toxicology and Toxic Poisonings. I used this book as a resource for a course on home poisonings and was able to find most everything that I was looking for.

I won't feel confident until I take a mushroom class, but I'm happy have this mushroom book as part of my garden book collection.

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