

Poisonous Plants

Name	Toxic part
<i>Abies alba</i> , silver fir	Honeydew reported
<i>Aconitum</i> spp., monkshood*	Honey?/Pollen
<i>Aesculus californica</i> , California buckeye	Nectar/Honey/Pollen
<i>Andromeda</i> spp., andromeda	Honey/nectar?
<i>Arbutus unedo</i> , strawberry tree	Nectar
<i>Astragalus</i> spp., locoweed, tragacanth	Nectar
<i>A. miser</i> v. <i>serotinus</i> , timber milk vetch	Nectar
<i>Caltha vulgaris</i> , march marigold	Pollen occasionally
<i>Camellia reticulata</i> , netvein camellia	Nectar
<i>Coriaria arborea</i> , New Zealand tutu*	Honeydew from passion vine hopper <i>Scolypupa australis</i> feeding on tutu
<i>C. japonica</i> *	Honeydew
<i>Corynocarpus laevigatus</i> , New Zealand laurel or karaka, summer titi	Nectar
<i>Cuscuta</i> spp., dodder	Nectar
<i>Cyrilla racemiflora</i> , southern leatherwood, titi	Nectar
<i>Datura stramonium</i> , jimsonweed*	Honey toxic to human
<i>D. metel</i> , Egyptian henbane	Honey
<i>Delphinium consolida</i> , forking larkspur	Plant toxic to bees, mammals
<i>Digitalis purpurea</i> , foxglove*	Pollen?
<i>Euphorbia sequeirana</i> , spurge	Honey/pollen
<i>E. marginata</i> , snow on the mountain	Plant poison to bees
<i>Gelsemium sempervirens</i> , yellow jessamine*	Nectar/pollen?
<i>Helenium hoopwaii</i> , orange sneezewood	Toxic to mammals/bees
<i>Hyoscyamus niger</i> , black henbane	Nectar/pollen, plant toxic to bees
<i>Kalmia latifolia</i> , mountain laurel*	Nectar/plant toxic to mammals
<i>Ledum palustre</i> , wild rosemary	Honey/pollen?
<i>Macadamia integrifolia</i> , macadamia	Cyanide gas from bloom
<i>Nerium oleander</i> , oleander*	Honey
<i>Papaver somniferum</i> , opium poppy	Pollen
<i>Ranunculus</i> spp., buttercup	Nectar/pollen?
<i>Rhododendron</i> spp., azalea, and <i>R. anthopogon</i> , <i>R. lutea</i> , <i>R. occidentalis</i> , <i>R. ponticum</i> , <i>R. prattii</i> , <i>R. thomsonii</i> *	Nectar/pollen
<i>Sapindus</i> spp., soapberry	Nectar
<i>Senecio jacobaea</i> , tansy ragwort	Nectar bitter, plant toxic to mammals
<i>Solanum nigrum</i> , black nightshade	Toxic plant
<i>Sophora microphylla</i> , yellow kowhai	Nectar
<i>Stachys arvensis</i> , nettle betony, staggerweed	Nectar or yeasts in nectar
<i>Taxus</i> spp., yew	Pollen
<i>Tilia</i> spp., basswood	Occasional nectar toxicity under drought conditions
<i>Tulipa</i> spp., tulip	Nectar, occasional toxicity
<i>Tripetaleia paniculata</i> , an azalea	Nectar
<i>Tulipa</i> spp., tulips	Stigmatic nectar?
<i>Veratrum</i> spp., Western false hellebore	Nectar
<i>Zygadenis</i> (= <i>Zygadenus</i> = <i>Zigadenus</i>) <i>venenosus</i> , death camas	Nectar/pollen

Sources: J. Skinner. 1997. In: Honey bee pests, predators and diseases, 3rd edn. Medina, OH: A.I. Root. J. Ramsay. 1987. Plants for beekeeping in Canada and northern USA. Cardiff, UK: IBRA.

* Plant parts also toxic to humans and animals.