

Safe Plant List for Reptiles



Common Name	Scientific Name
Abelia	Abelia grandiflora
African Violet	Saintpaulia ionantha
Alder	Alnus sp.
American Ash	Fraxinus americana
Aspen	Populus sp.
Asperagus Fern	Asperagus setaceus plumosis
Aster	Aster sp.
Baby Tears	Helxine soleriolii
Bamboo	Phyllostachys aurea
Basswood Linden	Tilia sp.
Bird's Nest Fern	Asplenium nidus
Boston Fern	Nephorlepsis exalta
Bottle Bush	Callistemom
Bouganvillea	Bouhanvillea
Bridal Veil	Tripogandra multiflora
Bromeliads	Aechmea; Bilbergia; Cryptanthus
Butterfly Bush	Buddleia sp.
Camellia	Camellia japonica
Coleus	Coleus
Corn plant	Dracaena fragrans
Creeping Charlie*	Pilea nummulariifolia
Croton	Codiaeum sp.
Dogwood	Cornus sp.

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Dracaena	Dracaena
Elm	Ulmus sp.
Emerald Ripple	Peperomia caperata
Eugenia	Peperomia caperata
Forsythia	Forsythia sp.
Fuschia	Fuschia
Geranium	Pelargonium sp.
Hackberry	Celtis sp.
Hazelnut	Corylus sp.
Hen and chicks succulent	Echeveria
Hibiscus	Hibiscus rosa-sinensis
Honey Locust	Gleditsia tricanthos
Horn Beam	Carpinus sp.
Hoya	Hoya exotica
Iceplant	Mesembryanthemum crystallinum
Impatiens	Impatiens
Jade Plant	Crassula argentea
Japanese Aralia	Fatsia japonica
Japanese Pagoda Tree	Sophora japonica
Jasmine	Jasminum officinale: J.grandiflourm
Lavender	Lavandula officinalis
Marigold	Calendula officinalis
Mock Orange	Philadelphus sp.
Monkey Plant	Ruellia makoyana
Mother of Peral	Graptopetalum paraguayen
Mulberry	Morus sp.
Natal plum	Carissa grandiflora
Painted Nettle	Coleus
Palms	Areca sp.
Pampas Grass	Cortaderia selloana
Parlor Palm	Chamaedorea elegans
Peperomia	Peperomia caperata
Persimmon	Diospyros sp.
Phoenix	Phoenix roebelenii
Piggyback Plant	Tolmiea menziesii
Pilea	Pilea sp.
Pink Polka-dot Plant	H. ypoestes sang.
Ponytail Plant	Beaucarnea recurvata
Prayer Plant	Maranta leuconeura

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Purple Passion: Purple Velvet	Gynura
Sour Gum	Nyssa sylvatica
Spider Plant	Chlorophytum comosum
Spineless Cactus	Astrophytum
Staghorn Fern	Platycerium bifurcatum
Swedish Ivy	Plectranthus australis
Sweet Alyssum	Allyssum sp.
Tree Mallow	Lavatera assurgentiflora
Tulip Tree	Liriodendron tulipifera
Umbrella Plant**	Eriogonum umbrellum
Velvet Plant	Gynura aurantaca
Wandering Jew	Tradescantia albiflora
Warneckii	Dracaena deremensis
Wax Plant	Hoya exotica
Willow	Salix sp.
Zebra Plant	Calathea zebrina
Zinnias	Zinnia sp.

* Not to be confused with another 'creeping charlie', *Glecoma heteracea*, which is toxic.

** Not to be confused with another 'umbrella' plant, *Schefflera actinophylla*, which is toxic.

Disclaimer: Plants in this list have been proven edible by a number of experienced reptile keepers. However, certain species and individual animals may have adverse reactions to some plants. A veterinarian should be consulted if you would like further information on feeding these plants to your reptile.

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