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FLOWERS & ANIMALS: RISKS & THREATS

- What are the "TOP TEN" UK F.A.R.T.'s?
 - > 5 of each... Flowers... Animals...



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TOP 5 UK F.A.R.T.'s

Animals

> Deer

> Cows

Bees/wasps

> Dogs

> Ticks

Adders

- 20 deaths

- 5 deaths

- 5 deaths

- 3 deaths

- 1 death

- 1975

- 450 injuries

- 1,000 injuries

- Unknown

- **1,200** injuries

- 2,000 Lymes disease

- 100 injuries

TOP 5 UK F.A.R.T.'s

- Flowers
 - Hemlock Water Dropwort 5 deaths
 - Wolfsbane (monkshood) 4 deaths
 - Yew 3 deaths
 - > 1-2 deaths
 - Deadly Nightshade, Hemlock, Lords n Ladies, Foxglove, Daffodil, Mistletoe, Meadowsweet, Khella, Thornapple
 - > OTHER
 - Giant Hogweed, Ragwort, Parsnip.

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BEES AND WASPS

- Stings are common
- > Temporary pain/discomfort to Death
- > Reactions vary each time
- > Light reaction
 - Instant, sharp pain.
 - > Red welt
 - Slight swelling
 - > ALL FINE in a FEW HOURS







- BEES AND WASPS
 - Medium reaction
 - **Extreme redness**
 - Swelling increase up to 2 days
 - > ALL FINE in 5-10 days



> Talk to your doctor if severity increases each time.



BEES AND WASPS

- > Severe reaction Allergic 3% population 2 million people
 - Anaphylaxis
 - Skin reactions, including hives, flushed or pale skin
 - Difficulty breathing
 - Swelling of the throat and tongue
 - > A weak, rapid pulse
 - Nausea, vomiting or diarrhoea
 - > Dizziness or fainting, Loss of consciousness



- BEES AND WASPS
 - ➤ MULTIPLE STINGS (10+) TOXIC REACTION
 - Nausea, vomiting or diarrhoea
 - > Headache
 - > A feeling of spinning (vertigo)
 - **Convulsions**
 - > Fever
 - Dizziness or fainting





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- BEES AND WASPS
 - > 5 DEATHS
 - > 4 Allergic reaction
 - > 1 Fell of a roof





- TICKS LYME DISEASE
 - > WHERE...?
 - Shady, moist areas at ground level
 - > Tall grass, brush and shrubs up to 60cm from ground
 - > Lawns and gardens
 - Edges of woods
 - Old stone walls





• TICKS – MAPPED



> Southwest is a haven



- TICKS LYME DISEASE
 - Most tick bites are harmless
 - > Flu-like symptoms
 - Circular red rash

Visit GP as soon as possible.





TICKS

- Check and Remove
- Fine-tipped tweezers or a tick-removal tool (pharmacies, vets and pet shops)
- Grasp the tick as close to the skin as possible.
- > Slowly pull upwards, DO NOT SQUEEZE or CRUSH.
- Clean with antiseptic or soap and water.





ADDERS

- > Only NATIVE venomous snake in UK
- > Rough, open countryside and woodland edges
- > Early-Spring to Mid-Autumn







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ADDERS

- Red eyes
- > Dark zigzag running down the length of the spine
- > Inverted 'V' shape on the neck





- MONKSHOOD (WOLFSBANE)
 - Deadliest native UK plant (possibly)
 - Widespread
 - Poison in flower and root
 - > Never usually detectable
 - > Enters via cuts
 - > Symptoms like heart attack









GIANT HOGWEED

- > Britain's most toxic plant
- > Leaves, seeds, flowers, roots and stems
- > PHOTOTOXIC SAP
- Effects cell DNA
 (Up to 10 years)





• GIANT HOGWEED

- > Height 4 -5m
- > 50 Flower Stems
- Main Stem 12cm diameter
- > Stem Blotches
- > Serrated leaves



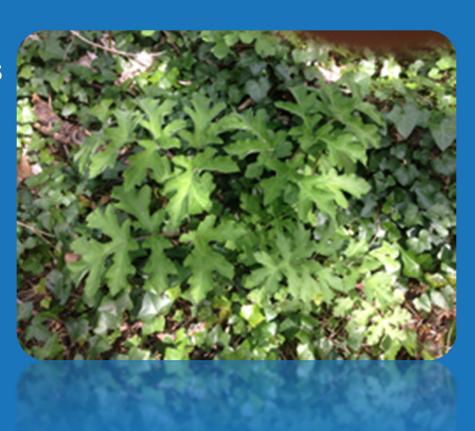




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- Similar but lesser
 - Hogweed
 - > 20 flower stems
 - > 5cm main stem
 - 2-3m high
 - > Rounded leaf



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GIANT HOGWEED

> Blisters, Ulcers, long-term scaring, photosensitivity,

blindness



- Wash with soap and water immediately
- > Cover the area for a week (minimum)

FLOWERS

- GIANT HOGWEED PREVENTION
 - > COVER-UP
 - > DON'T TOUCH

