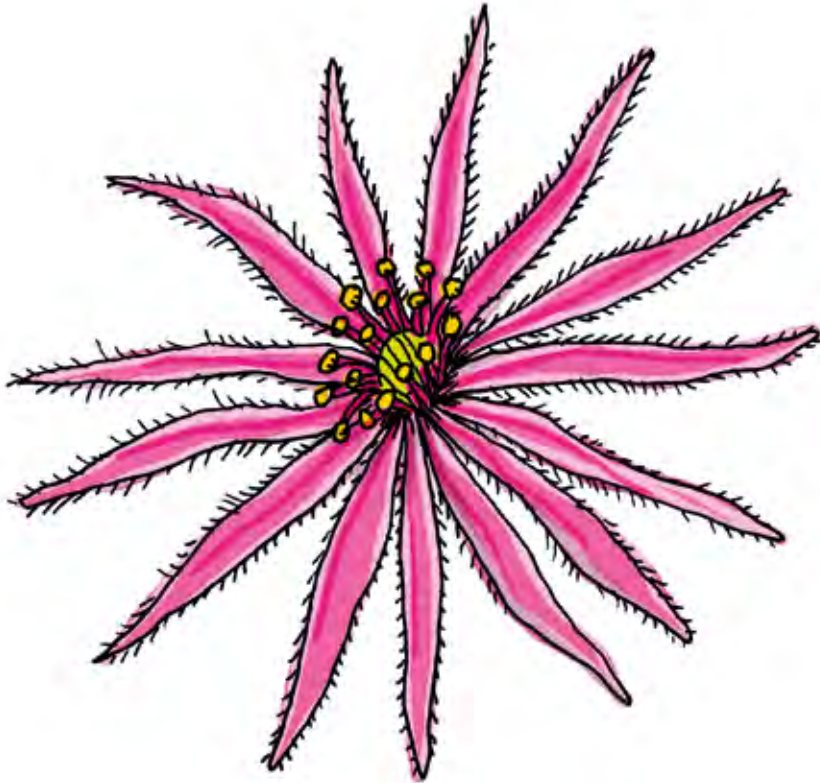


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A CELEBRATION OF NATURE'S GREATEST SHOW-OFFS



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PLANTOPEDIA celebrates the dazzling and diverse plants that grow on Planet Earth. Without plants, people wouldn't exist - they provide us with food, and the materials we need to make things like plastic, clothes and houses. They even clean the air, giving us the oxygen we need to breathe. But sadly many plants are now under threat from things like farming, road-building, pollution and climate change.

Turn the page to meet nature's greatest show-offs and discover which plants are the biggest, stinkiest, most magical and most poisonous of all.

The air fresheners

Grow these inside to clean the air in your house.



Mother-in-law's-tongue

Chinese evergreen

Spider plant One of the easiest plants to grow!

Croton



Maranta

Sword fern *Grows well in bathrooms.*

Gerbera *Grow these South African daisies in a cool, bright spot.*

Flamingo flower *Don't let pets eat this plant - it's poisonous!*



Queen of the night

Umbrella tree

Areca palm

House azaelea

Jade plant *Some people think this plant brings good luck.*

The all-blacks



Bat flower A seriously spooky houseplant from Southeast Asia.

Tulip 'Queen of the night' Actually dark purple rather than black.

The all-blacks



Elderberry Use them to make jam.

Halfeti black rose Named after a town in Turkey, the only place where it grows naturally.

Dark rampion

Blackcurrant



The aquatics

