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Watch where you're standing! See that evergreen branch in the tree? Yep, that's American mistletoe. This mistletoe species is found all over the southern United States. Mistletoe is easy to spot in the winter once you know what the plant looks like – a small green bush growing from a leaf-bare tree limb. Mistletoe is a parasite on its host tree, stealing water and nutrients from the host with no known benefit to the host. Mistletoe is poisonous if consumed. Due to this, you can purchase replica mistletoe made of plastic or cloth to decorate with and you can always see some real mistletoe high above at a South Carolina State Park. www.southcarolinaparks.com



Nicole Goodwin Latham Thanks for posting this! I've actually wondered about this for a long time ☺

at 20:04:45 on 12/22/2015 UTC



Pamela Powles Ungruh Never knew this until last year when John Zeller was visiting and saw some!

at 20:10:15 on 12/22/2015 UTC



Scott Black I've been shooting it down with a .22 for as long as I can remember. It's spread out amongst my kinfolks and close friends. My way of sorta spreading some Christmas cheer, Merry Christmas y'all!!!! :)

at 20:11:37 on 12/22/2015 UTC



Dave Osborne how did we EVER survive this? i have NEVER even heard of a death caused by mistletoe!

at 22:04:40 on 12/22/2015 UTC



Matthew Lattè Latta mmmmm mistletoe tea yummm

at 22:15:11 on 12/22/2015 UTC



Rob A. Dudley Use to shoot it out with a .410. Loved having the real stuff.

at 22:34:17 on 12/22/2015 UTC



Vickie R Givens Growing low enough to pick at my daughter's apartment complex. Got some on my back porch right now.

at 0:53:30 on 12/23/2015 UTC



Amy Budzinski Toll Jo Anne Budzinski

at 3:44:01 on 12/23/2015 UTC



Memory Thompson I think only the berries are poisonous not the plant itself
at 12:41:50 on 12/23/2015 UTC



Dave Osborne STILL i have never heard of poisoning with mistletoe!
at 13:17:47 on 12/23/2015 UTC



Amy Whealton-Klick I've know mistletoe was poison since I was little, but what dope eats it?! We have it in a few of our trees and my kids are little 8and under and they've all learned that you can't eat it.
at 15:22:37 on 12/23/2015 UTC



Travis Marth Awesome I'll have to keep my eyes peeled
at 1:48:28 on 12/24/2015 UTC



Dwayne Owen Charles, go ahead and admit it, you took this picture AFTER you tied yourself to that tree, didn't ya ? HAHAHAA Merry Christmas peckerwood !!
at 13:08:24 on 12/25/2015 UTC