



# FLORIDA PETSCAPING SAFETY CHECKLIST

## ✓ **Step 1: Observe Your Pet's Behavior Outdoors**

- Look for favorite paths, shaded spots, and digging areas
- Identify areas that need fencing or shade

## ✓ **Step 2: Remove Hazardous Plants**

- Eliminate known toxic plants like sago palm, lilies, and azaleas
- Use the ASPCA Toxic Plant Guide to verify safety

## ✓ **Step 3: Choose Pet-Friendly Plants**

- Consider Florida-native and pet-safe species
- Examples: snapdragons, marigolds, wheatgrass

## ✓ **Step 4: Secure the Yard for Safety**

- Check fencing for gaps or damage
- Create shaded areas and shelter for hot weather

## ✓ **Step 5: Use Pet-Safe Fertilizers and Pesticides**

- Avoid chemical treatments and weed killers
- Opt for organic or pet-labeled lawn products

## ✓ **Step 6: Add Enrichment Features**

- Install a digging pit or sandbox
- Add water bowls or pet fountains
- Include pet tunnels, ramps, or agility zones

## ✓ **Step 7: Perform Regular Yard Maintenance**

- Inspect for debris or chewed plants
- Watch for mushrooms or storm-damaged branches

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