

the ZANFEL ZONE

Your Information Resource for Poison Ivy, Oak and Sumac

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Welcome to the Zanafel Zone! We hope you have had a wonderful summer! As always, Zanafel is here to provide you with important information on plant identification, prevention, and treatment to help get you safely through this season.

Poison Ivy, Oak & Sumac Exposure Season Continues

Labor Day weekend marks the end of "peak" poison ivy, oak, and sumac exposure season. Now that the unofficial end of summer has passed, many people think poison ivy season is over. This is not true! Fall is a great time for camping, hiking, vacations and yard work. These outdoor activities are all opportunities to tangle with poison ivy, oak, and sumac.

Please contact us if you have questions about Zanafel Poison Ivy, Oak & Sumac Wash, or about poison ivy in general.

If you or a family member break out with a poison ivy, oak, or sumac rash, Zanafel can be found in the first aid section of your local pharmacy, and on Amazon.com

Zanafel Attends the 2013 National Boy Scout Jamboree

Zanafel is a proud supporter of Scouting! Zanafel sponsored and attended the 2013 National Scout Jamboree at Bechtel Summit Reserve, West Virginia. Thank you to all of the Scouts, Venturers, Leaders, and healthcare providers who visited the Zanafel tent to learn about poison ivy, oak, and sumac plant identification, prevention, and treatment with Zanafel Poison Ivy, Oak & Sumac Wash. We had a great time speaking with Boy Scouts from 47 of the 50 United States, along with Japan, Puerto Rico, and Canada.

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Prepare For Poison Ivy's Fall Colors

As the dog days of summer continue on, many of us are looking forward to the arrival of fall. One of the early signs of fall is the turning of poison ivy leaves from green to yellow, then to bright red. Poison ivy is usually one of the very first plants to have its leaves change in the fall. You'll look out into the woods and everything will be green, except for bright red leaves on a climbing poison ivy vine.



Why is it that poison ivy leaves change color before most other plants? Poison ivy plants rely on birds to spread their seeds. When flocks of migratory birds are passing through an area, the red poison ivy leaves are like a beacon drawing these birds in for a meal of poison ivy berries.

Poison ivy is a dioecious species, meaning individual plants are either male or female. Female poison ivy plants produce berries, which contain the seeds. Male plants produce pollen, but don't have berries or seeds. In the fall, it's the male poison ivy plants which produce the brightest colors.

Rash Plants App For iPhone, iPod Touch, and iPad



Rash Plants, created by Naturedigger LLC, is an all inclusive app about poison ivy, oak and sumac. Naturedigger interviewed experts in the fields of botany, healthcare, and professional poison ivy removal to come up with this



all-encompassing app. The app includes an informative FAQ about each plant and a gallery with hundreds of high quality photos. One outstanding feature of the Rash Plants app is a section where you can do a side by side comparison of poison ivy, oak, and sumac to “similar species” (plant species which look similar to poison ivy, oak, or sumac). The app even offers guidance on safe and effective plant removal.



Also included is a section on the rash and OTC remedies, including Zanafel.

Rash Plants can be found on iTunes for \$0.99

<http://www.naturedigger.com/apps/rashplants/>

<https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/rash-plants/id658672409?mt=8>

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We'll Tweet helpful information throughout poison ivy, oak, and sumac season.

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