

SYNTHETIC MARIJUANA

K2, or Spice, is a mixture of herbs and spices that is sprayed with a chemical compound similar to THC, the psychoactive ingredient in marijuana.

Typically K2 or spice is purchased online, which means there is no way to know exactly what is in the package or who manufactured it.

DRUG_I.D.

Looks: K2 comes in small silver pouches and looks like dried leaves. It resembles potpourri.

Street Names: Black Mamba, Bombay Blue, Fake Weed, Genie, Spice, Zohai

Methods of Use: Smoked in pipes or joints. Can be used in tea.

Actions: Similar, if not more potent effects, of marijuana. Increases heart rate and blood pressure. Stays in system for a very long time.

Warning Signs: Panic attacks, paranoia, giddiness, increased heart rate, increased blood pressure

TRAGEDIES

Calls to Poison Control Centers, as a result of contact with Synthetic Marijuana, doubled from 2010 to 2011, to almost 7,000 calls.

11.4% of 12th graders admit to using synthetic marijuana, making it the 2nd most abused drug by high school seniors.

SYNTHETIC
DRUGS...
AUTHENTIC
DANGER





USE_BY_USE

- Anxiety
- Nausea
- Paranoia
- Confusion

USING_OVER_TIME

- Short-term memory loss
- Reasoning ability
- Stamina loss
- Emotional stability

WAY_TO_GO



Synthetic marijuana is not a safer substance to the alternative real marijuana. In fact, it is more dangerous in some regards. There is no way of knowing what substances are mixed in the chemistry and compound, so each use may produce a different result. Despite some beliefs, Synthetic Marijuana can show up on drug tests, causing the user to lose his/her job or have criminal consequences.