

Baptisia australis

Common Name: Blue Wild Indigo

Baptisias, also known as false or wild indigos (*Baptisia* spp.), are a group of large, long-lived perennials. They provide an extended season of interest from flowers and foliage. The botanical name *Baptisia* originates from the Greek word *bapto*, to dip or to dye. Blue false indigo (*Baptisia australis*) and yellow wild indigo (*Baptisia tinctoria*) were used to produce a blue dye by both Native Americans and settlers before the introduction of the better quality true indigo (*Indigofera tinctoria*).



Plant Details:

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Soil Type:

Mesic, Moist

Exposure:

Full Sun, Partial Shade

Bloom Period:

Spring

General Information:

Mature Height: 2 Feet

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Butterfly Host: No

Flower Color: Blue

Fall Color: Yellow