



# Blue False Indigo

*Baptisia australis*

Light:	Full Sun, Part Sun
Soil:	Sand, Loam, Clay
Moisture:	Medium
Benefits:	Pollinators, hummingbirds, host plant, deer resistant
Height:	3 to 5 feet
Blooms:	June, July
Zones:	2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7
Color:	Purple, blue
Spacing:	2'-3'
Root:	Taproot

Blue False Indigo is a large, bushy perennial, with clusters of deep blue flowers on long upright spikes. In its first few years, this long-lived plant develops mostly below ground. After the first two seasons the blooms are increasingly showy as the plant matures into a shrub-like form around 4' high. The bluish-green foliage is very attractive and provides a good backdrop to other flowering plants. It makes a strong statement as a specimen plant in formal designs, and is beautiful in a naturalized setting, as well.