

# Amorpha fruticosa

# False Indigo



<b>Plant type:</b>	Shrub
<b>Season of Interest:</b>	Mid to late summer
<b>Height:</b> 4-6'	<b>Spread:</b> 5-7'
<b>Water needs:</b>	Moderate
<b>Native Region:</b>	CO, AZ, KS, NE, NM, OK, TX, UT, WY
<b>Elevation:</b>	to 6,000'
<b>Important to know:</b>	Cut back in early spring for compactness. Important larval host plant for several butterflies



<b>Maintenance:</b>	Low
<b>Characteristics:</b>	Showy
<b>Garden Uses:</b>	Beds/borders, banks/slopes
<b>Habitat:</b>	Streams, meadows, grasslands, roadsides

## Ease of Propagation: Medium

**Propagation:** Scarify seeds with sandpaper. Boiling water soak (pour boiling water over the seeds. Let it cool and soak 12-24 hours). Cold stratify 30 days. Inoculate (opt). Sow seeds on a well-draining mix at 70°F. Cover very lightly with mix or fine vermiculite. Seeds germinate in 1 week.

