



Worth Park Gardens Victorian Plants



Indigofera kirilowii
Common name: Indigo
Family name: Fabaceae

Facts: This species has a symbiotic relationship with certain soil bacteria, these bacteria form nodules on the roots and fix atmospheric nitrogen. Some of this nitrogen is utilized by the growing plant but some can also be used by other plants growing nearby.

The plant is native to China and Japan.

- **Position:** Full sun, dapple shade. (drought tolerant)
- **Hardiness:** Frost hardy up to -15°C - 20°C
- **Flowering:** Summer flowering (purple flowers) – perfect for pollinators.
- **Propagation:** Semi hardwood cuttings, softwood cuttings in a cold frame.
- **Pruning:** Little or no pruning is necessary (dead, diseased or damaged), may need to be cut back to ground level after a hard winter.
- **Pest and diseases:** Generally, pest and disease free. (resistant to honey fungus)

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