



AMSONIA HUBRICHTII WOODSON

Fam. Apocynaceae

DESCRIPTION

Perennial, coarse and slow-growing plant that develops in tufts. Its highlights span 3 seasons with its star-shaped blue flowers in spring, its bright-green foliage in summer and its charming autumn colour.

LEAVES

Lanceolate leaves with pointed apexes. The upper blade is vivid green and furrowed by an evident lighter-coloured central rib. The bottom face is light green. In autumn they take on a beautiful bright golden yellow tone.

HABITAT

Native to the United States, more specifically, Arkansas.

DISTRIBUTION

It is widely grown in gardens for its star-shaped flowers and its foliage that changes colour from vivid green to golden yellow in autumn; it's suitable for borders and natural landscaping in public parks and private gardens.

SEEDS

Long and thin seeds wrapped in a cottony matrix; they are contained in small pods that ripen on the apexes of the stems.

FLOWERS

Funnel-shaped flowers with 5 petals, usually pale-blue and star-shaped. The flowers are borne at the top of vertical stems and form loose clusters. They bloom between the end of spring and the beginning of summer. They attract numerous pollinating insects, in particular, butterflies.

STEM

Erect stem that grows up to 75 cm tall.

ROOTS

Robust fasciculated root that holds the plant firmly anchored to the ground.

INTERESTING FACTS

Skin contact with its milky sap can cause irritation.