# Amsonia (Blue Star)

**72ct Plug**

Container:
Premium 1 Gallon Pot
Finish:
For sales the following spring
When To Plant:
Late spring to early summer
Notes:
Place the crown about one half inch below the soil surface as this helps promote better eye development for the following season.

**Grade #1 Bare Root**

Container:
Premium 1 Gallon Pot
Finish:
6-8 weeks
When To Plant:
Early spring to late spring

**Growing Temperature:**

55-65° F

**Soil pH:**

5.6-6.2

**Fertility:**

After new leaves emerge use a water-soluble fertilizer, solutions of 50-100 ppm at each or every other watering. May benefit from additional iron applications.

For Controlled Release or Slow Release Fertilizer, see your preferred supplier for recommended rates for incorporation or top dressing, as it varies by fertilizer.

**Moisture:**

For potting soil use commercial planting media.

Allow plants to dry thoroughly between waterings.

**Planting Level:**

Crown just below soil surface.

**Pruning/Trimming:**

Winter Pruning: Once foliage has gone dormant or you have hit your desired amount of vernalization days, remove stems down to base watching out to not damage any new emerging eyes.

**Holding Temperature:**

40-50° F

**EC Level:**

2.0-3.0 pour through method

**Vernalization:**

10-12 weeks at temperatures below 40° F.

**Pests and Diseases:**

Leaf spot (Mycosphaerella), rusts.

**Potting and Timing:**

Small plugs should be potted in late spring to early summer. These plants will be ready for sales the following spring.

Place the crown about one half inch below the soil surface as this helps promote better eye development for the following season.

Bare root should be planted so the crown is slightly below the soil surface.

**PGRs/Pinching:**

Sumagic (Uniconazole) can be applied as a drench at 1 ppm or spray at 5 ppm.

**Grower Tips:**

When planting from bare root, grow Amsonia cool to prevent flowering before the plant is rooted.

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