

Amethyst Astilbe



Attracts hummingbirds, butterflies, is beautiful if used as a cut flower and very easy to grow in part shade.



***Astilbe arendsii* 'Amethyst'**

- **Use:** Astilbes are mainstays of shade and woodland gardens. They are clump-forming perennials which feature graceful, fern-like mounds of mostly basal, 2-3 ternately compound leaves, usually with sharply-toothed leaflets, and tiny flowers densely packed into erect to arching, plume-like flower panicles rising above the foliage on slender, upright stems. Great for use in planters and in the garden! Excellent for use as a cutflower, deer resistant, and attracts hummingbirds & butterflies. Easy to grow and very rewarding!
- **Exposure/Soil:** **Prefers part sun!** Use slow release or water soluble fertilizer in late spring. Prefers to be kept moist and likes rich soil. Water under leaves and flowers for best results.
- **Growth:** This compact type grows 18-24" tall and wide.
- **Hardiness:** Zone 4-9 Perennial. Mulch around plant in the winter. Make sure they have well drained soil in the winter.
- **Foliage:** Deciduous. The foliage is deeply incised and graceful, in rich green or bronze. Wait to cut back the old foliage until spring; it will help protect the plant from winter damage.
- **Flower:** It never fails to enthrall garden visitors when they see the rich lavender hue of this Astilbe's blooms. The plumes seem to almost glow!