

## Varieties of Indigo plants in Japan

Japanese name	Science name	Family	Habitat
Tade-ai	<i>Polygonum tinctorium</i> Aiton	Polygonaceae	all of Japan
Ryukyu-ai	<i>Strobilanthes cusia</i> (Nees) Imlay	Acanthaceae	Okinawa
Nanban komatsunagi	<i>Indigofera suffruticosa</i> Miller	Fabaceae	Okinawa
Taiwan komatsunagi	<i>Indigofera tinctoria</i> L.	Fabaceae	Okinawa
Ezo taisei	<i>Isatis tinctoria</i> L. var. <i>yezoensis</i> Ohwi	Brassicaceae	Hokkaido
Somemonokazura or Aikazura	<i>Marsdenia tinctoria</i> R. Br. var. <i>tomentosa</i> Masam.	Asciepiadoideae	Okinawa



*Polygonum tinctorium*



*Indigofera suffruticosa*



*Strobilanthes cusia*



*Isatis tinctoria* L. *yezoensis*



Sukumo with *Polygonum tinctorium*



indigo paste with *Indigofera*



indigo paste with *Strobilanthes cusia*



*Marsdenia tinctoria*