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The English colonists, who founded Charles Towne in 1670, planted indigo – the source of the valuable blue dye of the same name – to test its viability as a cash crop in Carolina. They noted that it thrived, but neglected to produce the dyestuff – that would come decades later – probably because the process was too involved and labor-intensive. The indigo, seen here, is growing taller by the day in the garden at Charles Towne Landing State Historic Site.

www.southcarolinaparks.com/charles-towne-landing



Michelle Crouse Walters Does it grow wild here now? It seems that I've seen some or something that looks a lot like it!

at 13:45:00 on 8/07/2018 UTC



Dawn Gale Thought the same thing- always pulling out something similar.

at 13:56:15 on 8/07/2018 UTC



Rob A. Dudley If your are thinking of this, it is called Chamberbitter at it is a true weed. Can get very tall and grows very rapidly.



at 13:59:35 on 8/07/2018 UTC



Michelle Crouse Walters Rob A. Dudley I think that's the one! They do grow quickly and all the little ones cover an area quickly!

at 14:03:19 on 8/07/2018 UTC



Katie Nicole Wade Hodge, I want to take the kids here sometime too.

at 15:34:13 on 8/07/2018 UTC



Zach Meyer You can visit the only remaining indigo vats in the state (Otranto Indigo Vats) in front of the Sun Chemicals Corporation building on Bushy Park Rd. in Berkeley County near Goose Creek. It's located next to the parking lot and is accessible to the public. It was relocated there in the late 70's to keep it from being demolished by a private housing development.

<http://www.nationalregister.sc.gov/berkeley/S10817708012/index.htm>



at 16:17:48 on 8/07/2018 UTC



Jenny Manley There is also a flowering variety that people plant as ornamentals, commonly called False Indigo. Genus of that is Baptisia. Very pretty! Riverbanks Zoo has some gorgeous plantings of it and often offers it in their Plant Sale!

at 16:27:15 on 8/07/2018 UTC



Wade Hodge I'm ready

at 16:54:37 on 8/07/2018 UTC



Jennifer Nicholson Jones Thanks for sharing this!

at 17:03:04 on 8/07/2018 UTC



Carole Alexander We have False Indigo growing wild here in Upstate SC...

at 17:19:06 on 8/07/2018 UTC



Steve Bucy Looks like wisteria

at 21:57:59 on 8/07/2018 UTC