

Red Bush Monkeyflower

Mimulus aurantiacus puniceus



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Mimulus aurantiacus puniceus flowers are similar to those shown here, but more red



CA Native:	Yes; Ventura, Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Diego Counties to Baja California
Plant Community:	Coastal Sage Scrub, Chaparral
Form:	Shrub
Size:	Up to 3' high x 4' wide
Light:	Full sun to part shade inland
Temperature:	Sunset zones 5, 6 (with protection), 7-9, 14-24; Will survive below freezing
Water:	Drought tolerant once established; Little water
WUCOLS:	1-4 (L); 5-6 (N/A)
Soil:	Well drained; Often found on slopes and hillsides
Flowers/Berries:	Numerous red flowers from spring to early summer
Deer resistance:	Yes
Fire resistance:	Yes
Wildlife value:	Attracts hummingbirds, bees and butterflies, such as, Common Checkerspot and Buckeye
Uses/Comments:	Short lived plants but bloom makes them worth re-planting when needed; Flowers are slightly smaller than other varieties; Prune after flowering; Grows under oaks