

Mimulus cardinalis

Scarlet Monkey Flower



Hardiness: zone 7 to 10

Height: 30 cm to 1 m

Spread: 30 cm to 1 m

Sunlight: Part Shade

Flowers: June to October

Deer, Rabbit, and wet soil tolerant

Attracts Hummingbirds and butterflies

General Description:

Mimulus cardinalis, commonly called scarlet monkey flower, is a creeping, herbaceous evergreen perennial of the figwort family that grows on upright, branched, sticky-hairy, yellowish-green flowering stems clad with opposite, pale green leaves. Solitary, tubular, scarlet (rarely yellow) flowers (1-2" long) resembling snap-dragons bloom from the leaf axils from June/July to October. This plant is native to moist to wet places primarily in

Care Notes:

Winter hardy to USDA Zones 7-10. Best grown in organically rich, moist to wet soils in part shade. Thrives in sun dappled shade. Tolerates full sun, but soils must not be allowed to dry out. Plants thrive in locations where roots will remain consistently moist to wet. Tolerates occasional flooding and standing water. Naturalizes in optimum growing conditions by creeping rhizomes and self-seeding. Where not winter hardy, plants may remain in the garden from year to year by self-seeding.