



Mimulus cardinalis (Scrophulariaceae, Figwort Family)

Cardinal Monkeyflower

Origin: California

Perennial

Sun

Moderate water

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This is a beautiful perennial plant found along rivers and streams throughout much of California. The Orange/Red flowers bloom in spring and summer. It can be a vigorous plant under the right conditions. Upon maturity, dry capsules split open near the top, releasing many seeds. It tends to die back to the roots in winter but rebounds in the spring. The red flowers are a favorite of hummingbirds such as the Black-chinned Hummingbird.