



## Justicia californica Chuparosa

This sprawling, open shrub is native to gravelly washes and rocky slopes of the Sonoran Desert at elevations under 2500 feet. It is usually leafless, with succulent green stems to 4 feet in height. Small, showy tubular red flowers occur from spring to fall, and are irresistible to hummingbirds. Blooms are more prominent after rains. Plant in full sun and well-drained soil. Although Chuparosa is quite drought resistant, growth and flowering will be greatly enhanced by supplemental water.

AT A GLANCE SUMMARY	
SIZE (H X W)	3-4 feet x 4-5 feet
FLOWER COLOR	Red
FLOWER SEASON	Spring through fall
EXPOSURE	Full sun, reflected heat
WATER	Low
GROWTH RATE	Moderate to fast
HARDINESS	20° F, USDA Zone 9
PRUNING	Remove frost damaged foliage in late winter



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