

Hibiscus coccineus



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Scarlet Hibiscus

Malvaceae

Plant Specifics

Size: 5-8 ft tall by 2-4 ft wide

Life Span: Long-lived perennial

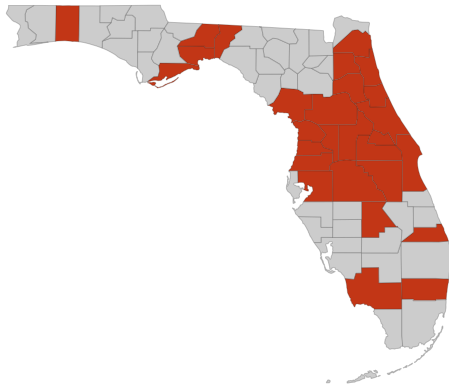
Flower Color: White, red

Fruit Color: Brown

Phenology: Winter dormant. Blooms spring-summer.

Habitats: Wet sites. Strands, sloughs, swamps, brackish & freshwater marshes; commonly in water.

Natural Range in Florida



USDA Zones

Suitable to grow in:



Landscaping

Recommended Uses: Specimen plant in moist areas. There is also white-flowered variant.

Light: ☀ Full Sun, ☁ Part Shade

Moisture Tolerance: Aquatic ----- to ----- Somewhat moist, no flooding

Salt Water Flooding Tolerance: Not salt tolerant of inundation by salty or brackish water.

Salt Spray Tolerance: Low/no tolerance of salty wind or direct salt spray

Soil/Substrate: Loam, Organic material (muck)

Wildlife



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Attracts hummingbirds.

- Larval host of Gray Hairstreak, Painted Lady Butterfly, Common Checkered Skipper and Tropical Checkered Skipper butterflies and four moths : Pearly Wood Nymph, Yellow Scallop Moth, Io Moth, and Delightful Bird-Dropping Moths.
- Attracts butterflies and native bees (including the Rose Mallow Bee which is a Hibiscus specialist), beetles, and