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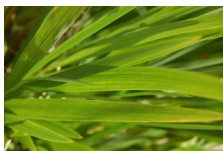
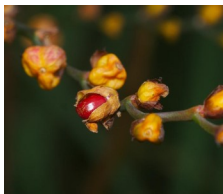
(*Crocosmia × crocosmiflora*)

**Mature Size** Knee



## Description

- Up to 2 ft. perennial with large red, orange or yellow flowers
- Funnel-shaped flowers are tubular with 6 petals, 1-2 in. long by 1-3 in. wide
- Individual flowers alternate on long zig-zag stems
- Fruit capsules alternate, are 3-lobed, and turn shriveled brown over time
- Large clumps of green, thin, strap-like 1-2½ ft. long leaves are hairless and pointed, and cluster at the base
- Above ground foliage dies back yearly; grows back from underground 'bulbs'
- Reproduces by seed and vegetatively from 'bulbs' and rhizomes
- Spread by horticulture, water, equipment
- Native to South Africa



**Bloom Period** Jun - Sep

**Habitat** Coastal scrub, chaparral, Sonoran thorn woodland, broad-leaved upland forest, North Coast coniferous forest

**2-Minute Removal** Dig



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