

Botanical Name: Diplacus longiflorus

Common Name: Southern bush monkey flower

Type of Plant: dicot: shrub Character evergreen

Habit of Growth:

Overall Shape a low-growing, loosely-branched plant with ascending-
spreading stems forming an irregular to rounded shrub

Height 2' - 3' Spread equal or more Growth Rate slow-moderate

Environment:

Exposure full sun thrives in sunny coastal foothill habitats

Soil tolerates most except wet, poorly-drained sites

Hardiness hardy (zones 18-24): best in warm locations

Morphology:

Leaves pinnate, opposite, oblong or lanceolate; bright green,
1"-2" long, with glandular-hairy surfaces

Flowers variable in color: orange-yellow, or pale salmon to almost
white; trumpet-shaped, in loose terminal clusters; spring

Fruit a tiny capsule

Propagation: seed or softwood cuttings

Usage: best as a low filler for informal gardens - valued for its
profuse display of flowers

Landscape Care:

Watering a periodic deep-soaking after established - tolerates
summer irrigation

Fertilizing little needed after establishment

Pruning head back and thin after blooming to enhance shape

Pests/Diseases relatively free

Special Conditions several cultivars have been developed from this species

Origin: coastal foothills of So. Calif Family: Scrophulariaceae