

Botanical Name: Crocasmia masoniorum

Common Name: Dwarf crocasmia

Type of Plant: monocot: perennial Character deciduous corm

Habit of Growth:

Overall Shape upright grassy plant with very erect medium green foliage
forms dense clumps with age, flaming orange-scarlet flowers open in spring

Height to 2' Spread to 3' or more Growth Rate rapid

Environment:

Exposure outdoors full sun to partial shade in hot inland areas

Soil prefers a well-amended soil, tolerates most soils

Hardiness hardy -- zones 5-24

Morphology:

Leaves pointed, flattened yellow-green leaves to 2' long, 1"
across, with prominent midrib; plants stay fairly straight and tight

Flowers terminal racemes of orange-red flowers which open from base
to tip, flowers to 3/4" across

Fruit small brown, 3-valved capsule

Propagation: seed, division

Usage: good source of orange-red color, very reliable and sturdy
bloomer in southern California; blooms well in pots, good in drought tolerant
landscapes and rustic landscapes

Landscape Care:

Watering needs no watering after established; tolerates regular
watering to lawn watering if soil drainage is good

Fertilizing slow-release at planting time

Pruning remove dead leaves in winter

Pests/Diseases chlorosis in heavy soils; supply iron as needed

Special Conditions

Origin: South Africa Family: Iridaceae