



# Cardinale Red™ Red Birds In A Tree Scrophularia 'TNSCRCR'

Height: 22 inches Spread: 20 inches Spacing: 18 inches

Sunlight: O

Hardiness Zone: 4

## **Description:**

An attractive and unusual variety with a short bushy habit and fresh green foliage; deep red flowers that resemble small birds cover the plant from late spring until frost; drought tolerant once established; perfect for sunny beds, borders, or containers

#### **Ornamental Features**

Cardinale Red Red Birds In A Tree's serrated pointy leaves remain green in color throughout the season on a plant with an upright spreading habit of growth.

### **Landscape Attributes**

Cardinale Red Red Birds In A Tree is an herbaceous perennial with an upright spreading habit of growth. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other garden plants with less refined foliage.

This is a relatively low maintenance plant, and should be cut back in late fall in preparation for winter. It is a good choice for attracting bees and hummingbirds to your yard, but is not particularly attractive to deer who tend to leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Cardinale Red Red Birds In A Tree is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Rock/Alpine Gardens
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting



Cardinale Red Red Birds In A Tree flowers Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



Cardinale Red Red Birds In A Tree in bloom Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



## **Planting & Growing**

Cardinale Red Red Birds In A Tree will grow to be about 20 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 20 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 18 inches apart. Its foliage tends to remain dense right to the ground, not requiring facer plants in front. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 15 years. As an herbaceous perennial, this plant will usually die back to the crown each winter, and will regrow from the base each spring. Be careful not to disturb the crown in late winter when it may not be readily seen!

This plant should only be grown in full sunlight. It prefers dry to average moisture levels with very well-drained soil, and will often die in standing water. It is not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in sandy soils. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid. It can be propagated by division; however, as a cultivated variety, be aware that it may be subject to certain restrictions or prohibitions on propagation.

Cardinale Red Red Birds In A Tree is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor pots and containers. With its upright habit of growth, it is best suited for use as a 'thriller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination; plant it near the center of the pot, surrounded by smaller plants and those that spill over the edges. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden. Be aware that in our climate, most plants cannot be expected to survive the winter if left in containers outdoors, and this plant is no exception. Contact our experts for more information on how to protect it over the winter months.