



MALVAVISCUS DRUMMONDII 'BIG MOMMA' TURK'S CAP

This native of the southeastern U.S. is ideal for shady locations in desert climates. In the summer and fall, this shrubby perennial produces red flowers that are shaped like a Turk's cap. While deciduous, it sprouts quickly in the spring to produce a 4-6 ft tall multi-stemmed plant covered with velvety leaves. This introduction by Greg Grant has flowers that are 1/3 larger than the species. Cut back hard after it enters fall dormancy. The flowers are rich in nectar, attracting hummingbirds and butterflies. It also produces an edible fruit that provides food for birds and small mammals.

AT A GLANCE SUMMARY	
SIZE (H X W)	4-6 feet x 4-6 feet
FLOWER COLOR	Red
FLOWER SEASON	Mid-Summer to Fall
EXPOSURE	Full Sun to Part Shade
WATER	Moderate
GROWTH RATE	Rapid
HARDINESS	0° F, USDA Zone 7b
PRUNING	After frost; to shape.



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