

Turk's Cap

Malvaviscus arboreus drummondii

Full sun/shade

3' – 5' x 3' – 5'

Red blooms

May - frost

Soft Green Foliage

Attracts Hummingbirds and Butterflies



Culture: A native Texas plant, Turk's cap is easy to grow in sun or shade. It accepts most types of soil including clay if well drained. Turk's cap is very drought tolerant. Propagate it by softwood cuttings, root division or seeds. Plant Turk's cap 3' – 5' apart.

Growth Habit: This mounded, bushy-shaped plant produces woody stems 3'-5' tall by 3'-5' wide that die back in winter. New growth appears in spring. The leaves may wilt in hot afternoon sun, but the plant recovers quickly.

Bloom: The plant's broad 2"-3" red petals remain wrapped around one another. Turk's cap blooms every day in warm weather, May until frost. Red fruit follows flowers.

Notes: Turk's cap is easy to grow and has no serious pest problems. It is good for attracting hummingbirds and butterflies and is deer resistant.

Turk's Cap can be viewed in the Master Gardener's Demonstration Garden located behind Hood County Annex 1 on 1410 W. Pearl St, Granbury, Texas