



CHAPARRAL CURRANT

RIBES MALVACEUM 'DANCING TASSELS'



A VERY EARLY BLOOMER, CHAPARRAL CURRANT BRIGHTENS JANUARY (NOVEMBER THROUGH MARCH, REALLY.) WITH ITS SHELL PINK TO WHITE, DANGLING 5" BLOSSOMS THAT ARE OFT VISITED BY HUMMINGBIRDS JUST WHEN THEY NEED IT MOST. A PRETTY, CALIFORNIA NATVE SHRUB REACHING 5-7 FEET HIGH BY 4-5 FEET ACROSS, IT GROWS WELL IN THE SHADE OF NATVE OAKS REQUIRING LITTLE ADDITIONAL, IF ANY, SUMMER WATER MORE DROUGHT AND SUN TOLERANT THAN MOST OF THE CALIFORNIA CURRANTS, ITS ROUNDED SHAPE AND SOFT GREEN LEAVES PROVIDE A LOVELY BACKDROP LATER IN THE SEASON FOR OTHER BLOOMING PLANTS. CAPABLE, AS ARE MANY CALIFORNIA NATVES, OF SUMMER DORMANCY WHEN CONDITIONS REQUIRE IT, IT CAN BE ENCOURAGED TO STAY AWAKE BY MULCHING AND A BIT OF ADDITIONAL WATER. REALLY NICE.

ZONES 7-10

MOSTLY SUN TO PART SHADE