

COPPERTIPS *CROCOSMIA*

PLANT CHARACTERISTICS

Size

2 - 4' high, 1 - 2' wide

Sun/Shade

Full Sun to part shade

Water

Medium

Maintenance

Medium

Life Span

Annual, Zone 5-9

Description

Crococsmia, also known as Coppertips, Montbretia and Krokus is a genus of about 7 different species each exhibiting blooms from June into September of different colors and shapes from scarlet ("Lucifer") to oranges and yellows. They are grown from bulbs and should be planted in full sun or partial shade in well-drained soil in spring after the last frost. In Zones 5 and 6A the corms can be dug up in the fall and stored in a dry medium to winter over and be replanted the following spring. Some gardeners grow these plants in pots which makes it easier to dig up in the fall. Besides adding color to gardens, *Crococsmia* are also great additions to cutting arrangements. They are susceptible to spider mites which, if not taken care of, can devastate the plant.

Source: [Missouri Botanical Garden](#)



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