

AVAILABILITY

FRESH

JULY THROUGH AUGUST

PRESERVED

SEPTEMBER THROUGH OCTOBER

Graceful, arched stems are individually beaded with small, glossy berries in shades of green, terra cotta, crimson and coffee.

COMMON NAME: Crocosmia/Montbretia

HISTORY: Crocosmia is native to South Africa. "Crocosmia" comes from the Greek words "krokos" (saffron) and "osme" (smell). Dried Crocosmia flowers, especially when placed in warm water, have a strong saffron smell. The common name "Montbretia" is an homage to Antoine François Ernest Conquebert de Montbret, one of the botanists accompanying Napoleon's invasion of Egypt from 1798 to 1801.

LENGTH: Branches of stiff, arching stems up to 28" to 32"

LASTING: Longevity of Crocosmia/Montbretia Pods is indefinite, as they dry beautifully.

BUNCHES: Standard bunch size: 10 stems. Also available as Consumer Bunches.

DISPLAY: Excellent for textural, botanical effects in floral arrangements. For extra impact in arrangements feature berried stems that have been dried and painted silver, gold, red or given a clear shine.

CARE & HANDLING: FRESH: Upon arrival cut stems and place into a clean container with fresh, tepid water and fresh flower food solution. Keep in cool location out of direct sunlight and drafts. Replenish water as needed. PRESERVED: No special treatment is necessary, simply utilize in fresh floral arrangements for wonderful texture.

