

# Salvia microphylla

## 'Hot Lips'

### Sage



## PLANT DESCRIPTION

Plant Type: Evergreen shrub

Height/Width: 2½ ft. W x 4 ft. H

Plant Form: Upright

Flower / Fruit: Varies from fire-engine red to white to red-and-white bicolors. In the Gardens, flowers tend to be bicolored in spring and fall, and fire-engine red during hot months.

Leaf: Ovate, green, differing sizes

Native To: Southeastern Arizona through southern Mexico

## GROWING REQUIREMENTS

Sunset Zones: 7 - 24

Soil: Well-drained

Water: Moderate  
(becomes rangy w/more water)

Sun: Full sun or partial shade

Care and Pruning: Strong and robust. Prune out dead flower stems frequently. Remove dead wood, shorten and shape plants before spring growth.

**GARDEN USE** Attracts hummingbirds and butterflies

**GARDEN** Pacific Rim Garden