Crimson Sage

Salvia henryi

DESCRIPTION: Crimson Sage is an herbaceous perennial that is native to grasslands and oak woodlands of Texas, New Mexico, Nevada, SE Arizona, and northern Mexico. It is frequently found growing on rocky slopes and in canyons, along with piñon and juniper. It forms mounds of around a foot tall and across. The gray leaves are covered with soft hairs, with pairs of bright red flowers. Blooms are in late spring and fall.

RECOMMENDED USE: Can be used as a small colorful accent, low border, or in a rock garden. Also good for patio containers. Attracts butterflies and hummingbirds.

CULTURE:

- **Hardiness**: Down to at least 15°F.
- **Sun tolerance**: Best with light afternoon shade or all-day very light shade.
- **Watering and feeding**: Moderate watering to establish. Benefits from regular water.
- **Soil requirements**: Best in soil which drains quickly.
- **Pruning**: Spent flower stalks as needed.