Fuchsia-flowered Gooseberry
Ribes speciosum

Photographer: Phil Van Soelen

Plant Type: Small shrub
Flower Color: Red
Flowering Time: January to May
Height: 5 feet
Width: 5 feet
Exposure: Sun-part shade
Water Req.: See Comment
Habitat Value: Birds

Comments and Maintenance:
Fast growing shrub with arching branches and small glossy lobed leaves. Branches are lined with spines, especially the new growth. Lines of long tubular, bright red flowers from late winter to midspring are attractive to hummingbirds. Best with light shade and needs no irrigation once established. Moderate summer water keeps it evergreen through the summer, will go dormant with dry conditions. Good choice under oaks. Deer