FIREBUSH

_Hamelia patens_

This magnificent deciduous shrub often reaches 8ft in height and blooms all summer long and into the fall. Its bright orange tubular flowers are very attractive to butterflies, hummingbirds and especially to us humans who take a great liking to this gem. Since its native range is central Florida southward, freezing temperatures will often knock this fellow back to the ground but it vigorously responds to spring warmth and is back to its tricks in no time…a must for any butterfly or hummer garden.