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*Ocimum basilicum* var. *minimum*

**BUSH BASIL** is a perennial. Native to Chile it has tiny, white flowers.

It is also known as Greek basil, and Greek bush basil.

*Basilicum* is derived from Greek *basileo-* (king) meaning ‘royal or princely’ with reference for some authorities to the classical practice that required the plant to be harvested only by the supreme ruler and for others to reputed healing properties. *Minimum* means ‘very small or smallest’.