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*Penstemon palmeri*

**PALMER PENSTEMON** is a shrub. Native to North America it has very sweetly fragrant, pink-flushed, white flowers with conspicuous purple-red nectar guides.

It is also known as Palmer beardtongue, Palmer's penstemon, Pink wild snapdragon, Scented beardtongue, and Scented penstemon.

The shrub is drought-resistant.

Bees, moths and humming birds are attracted by the fragrance and sweet nectar.

*Palmeri* commemorates an Englishman, Edward Palmer (1829/31-1911) who was a naturalist and specimen collector (plants and animals) and emigrated to the United States in 1849.

He collected marine invertebrates on the California State Geological Survey of 1861 and, in the following years, plant (some authorities say over 100,000) and zoological specimens as well as archaeological artefacts primarily in California (south-western United States), Mexico and South America for various patrons.

Some of the Navajo North American Indians used the plant in poultices applied to snakebite sores.