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Phacelia campanularia

CALIFORNIA BLUEBELL is a hairy annual. Native to southern California (USA) it has reddish stems, and small, bell-shaped, white-spotted at-the-base, deep blue or white flowers with long protruding stamens.

It is also known as Bell-flowered phacelia, Bluebell phacelia, Campanulate phacelia, Desert bell, Desert bluebells, Harebell phacelia, *Klockfacelia* (Swedish), Phacelia, Waterleaf, and Wild canterbury bell.

The leaves are aromatic when crushed.

The flowers are pollinated by bees, butterflies and hummingbirds that seek the nectar.

Warning – contact with the leaves can cause dermatitis.

Campanularia is derived from the genus name *Campanula* meaning ‘like plants in that (bell-flowered, bell-shaped) genus’.

This annual is cultivated as an ornamental plant.