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Prunella

Labiatae

[*Lamiaceae*]

Prunella may be derived from south German *braun* itself a corruption of Latin *prunum* (purple) the colour of the flower, or from German *Braüine* (quinsy, a form of tonsillitis) for which it was said to be a cure. In the 15th and 16th Centuries German herbalists considered *Prunella* and *Brunella* interchangeable.