

Penstemon barbatus

Beardlip Penstemon



Plant type:	Perennial
Season of Interest:	Late Spring, Mid-Summer
Height: 2-4'	Spread: 1-1.5'
Water needs:	Low
Native Region:	CO, AZ, NM, TX, UT
Elevation:	to 10,000'
Important to know:	Remove spent flowering racemes to prolong bloom. Leave stems and seed pods for forage through winter or cut back to basal foliage after flowering to improve appearance of the planting.



Maintenance:	Low
Characteristics:	Cut flowers, showy
Garden uses:	Beds and Borders
Habitat:	Rocky slopes, meadows, pinyon-juniper woodlands

Ease of Propagation: Easy

Propagation: By soft-wood cuttings or seed. Cold stratify the seeds 8 weeks at 40° in the fridge or sow midwinter in situ or in containers. Cover the seeds lightly. Put the container outside. Outside treatment in cells requires regular piling on of snow but avoids radicle extension from the seeds while in the fridge. Seeds germinate 3-9 days once temps reach 70°F.

