## Penstemon barrettiae

Scrophulariaceae Barrett's penstemon

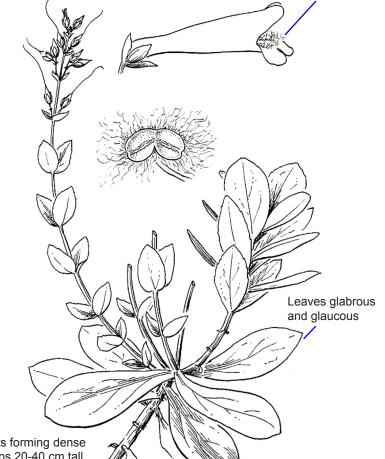
Flowers rose-purple and hairy near base of lower lip











Plants forming dense clumps 20-40 cm tall

Illustration by Jeanne R. Janish. VASCULAR PLANTS OF THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST (1959) Hitchcock, Cronquist, & Ownbey, courtesy of University of Washington Press.

Plants shrubby and woody, with many erect stems, much branched, and forming wide, dense clumps 20-40 cm tall. Leaves glabrous and glaucous, ovate or elliptic, irregularly serrate or entire, up to 8 cm long and 2.5 cm wide, tapering to a narrow base, leaves of flowering shoots broad, sessile and clasping. Inflorescence racemose or nearly so, axillary peduncles simple and uniflorus; calyx 5-7 mm, segments ovate; corolla lilac to rose-purple, hairy near base of lower lip within; anthers densely woolly. Fruit a narrow capsule, about 1 cm long.

Lookalikes Penstemon fruticosus var. fruticosus differs from featured plant by

its smaller, non-glaucous leaves, pubescent inflorescence, and larger flowers.

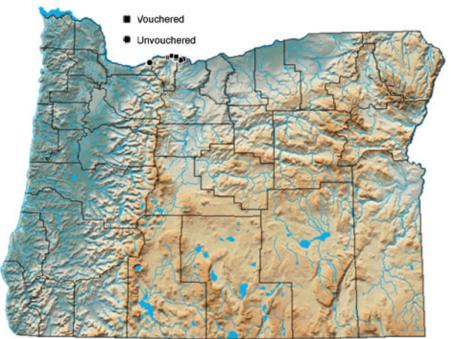


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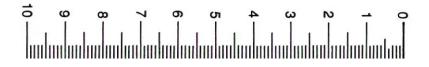
**Distribution:** Hood River and Wasco Counties, Oregon and Klickitat County, Washington.

Habitat: Dry, rocky places at low altitudes, arid basalt cliffs.

Elevation: 30-600 m

Best survey time (in flower): April through June

Associated species: Lomatium suksdorfii (Suksdorf's Iomatium) Penstemon richardsonii (Cutleaf beardtongue) Eriogonum (Buckwheat)







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