

Wilcox's Penstemon

Penstemon wilcoxii



Description: Several straight, slender flower stems grow in a clump 1-2 ft. tall. Each stem has ten or more bright blue, funnel-shaped flowers in flat clusters along the upper stem. Bloom is from June through July, followed by seed capsules filled with many small seeds. Toothed leaves are paired along the lower stem.

Habitat: Grows in dry, open sites with lots of sun, especially on banks. Will also grow in thick forest.

Landscape Uses: Showy wildflower best used in an inclined rock garden or dry perennial bed in clumps of 12-50 plants. Likes loose, well-drained soil. Reseeds readily so give it lots of "elbow room". Attractive to hummingbirds.

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