

# Bellflowers

| Plant              | Venus's-looking-glass   | Greater Venus's-looking-glass   |
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| Species            | <i>Legousia hybrida</i>   | <i>Legousia speculum-veneris</i>  |
| Threat status      | Least Concern   | Near Threatened   |
| Distribution       | Mainly southern and eastern England, rare in Scotland, absent from Wales and Northern Ireland | Only one population known in south-east England and another population in Edinburgh   |
| Life cycle         | Annual  | Annual  |
| Flower arrangement | Flat-topped flower spikes   | Pyramidal-shaped flower spikes  |
| Calyx              | Lobes oblong with sharp-pointed to blunt teeth. Calyx tube is as long as flower tube          | Lobes very narrow and sharply pointed. Calyx tube is often much shorter than flower-tube, but can be the same length and visible between the petals |
| Petals             | Flower 4-10 mm across with mauve-purple petals  | Flower 15-20 mm across with mauve-purple petals   |
| Seed pod           | Triangular and 15-30 mm long  | Triangular and 10-15 mm long  |



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