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n.

Any of various shrubs of the genus *Rhododendron* in the heath family, having showy, variously colored flowers.

[Greek *azaleā*, from feminine of *azaleos*, dry (so called because it grows in dry soil or from the texture of its wood); see **as-** [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#).]



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