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Zoology

A small barb or pointed projection, especially one of the small projections fringing the edges of the barbs of feathers.

[Latin *barbula*, diminutive of *barba*, beard; see **bhardh-ā-** [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots.](#)]

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