

Hazelnut *Corylus americana*



- **Plant Characteristics:** Strongly multi-stemmed shrub forming a rounded top with a leggy or open base, often with wide-spreading rather straight stems branched toward their extremities.
- **Size:** Height: 10–16'
Width: 8–13'
- **Foliage:** Dark green leaf color, heart shaped leaf base and 3-6" long. Fall color yellow orange.
- **Flower:** Both male & female flowers on same plant.
- **Fruit:** Slightly flattened edible nut.
- **Soil:** well drained loamy soil, moist to dry soil conditions. Drought tolerant.
- **USDA Hardiness Zone:** Zone 4-9
- **Light Range:** Full sun or light shade.
- **pH Range:** adaptable
- **Other:**
 - No extensive disease or insect problems
 - Wildlife cover, food for small animals and birds.
 - Native to thickets, upland forest, rocky hillside and pastures.
 - Tends to sucker from roots. Aggressive spreading plant.
 - Used for naturalizing, difficult dry sites and Fruit.
 - Native to Minnesota.
 - Seasonal development: The flowers of American hazelnut are formed in the summer and open the following spring, before the leaves emerge. By late summer or early fall, the fertilized flowers develop into fruits.