

AMERICAN HAZELNUT

Corylus americana

Height: 6-8' **Spread:** 6-8'

Location: Zone 3, sun, drought and salt tolerant.

Shape: Rounded

Foliage: Dark green, yellow-orange in fall.

Notes: In spring, showy, yellowish brown catkins appear and give way to small, egg-shaped, 1/2" long, edible nuts (maturing July-August) which are encased in leafy, husk-like, ragged-edged bracts. Nuts are similar in flavor to the European filbert but are also commonly left for the squirrels and birds. Fall color is quite variable, ranging from attractive combinations of orange, rose, purplish red, yellow and green.

