

American Filbert/Hazelnut *Corylus americana*

Distribution: American Filbert/Hazelnut shrubs are native to New England down through Florida but has been introduced to areas throughout North America with great success.

Growth: American Filberts/Hazelnuts are a deciduous shrub that reaches 8 to 15 feet tall with equal spread. It has a fast growth rate.

Adaptability: It grows best in full sun to partial shade. It prefers rich, moist, well-drained soil but often can be found close to stream sides as well as in prairies. It has even been found in dry woods and forest margins and along fencerows.

Comments: The nuts have a higher nutritional value than acorns and are easily harvested. American Filberts are valued as an ornamental species but also beneficial for wildlife.

