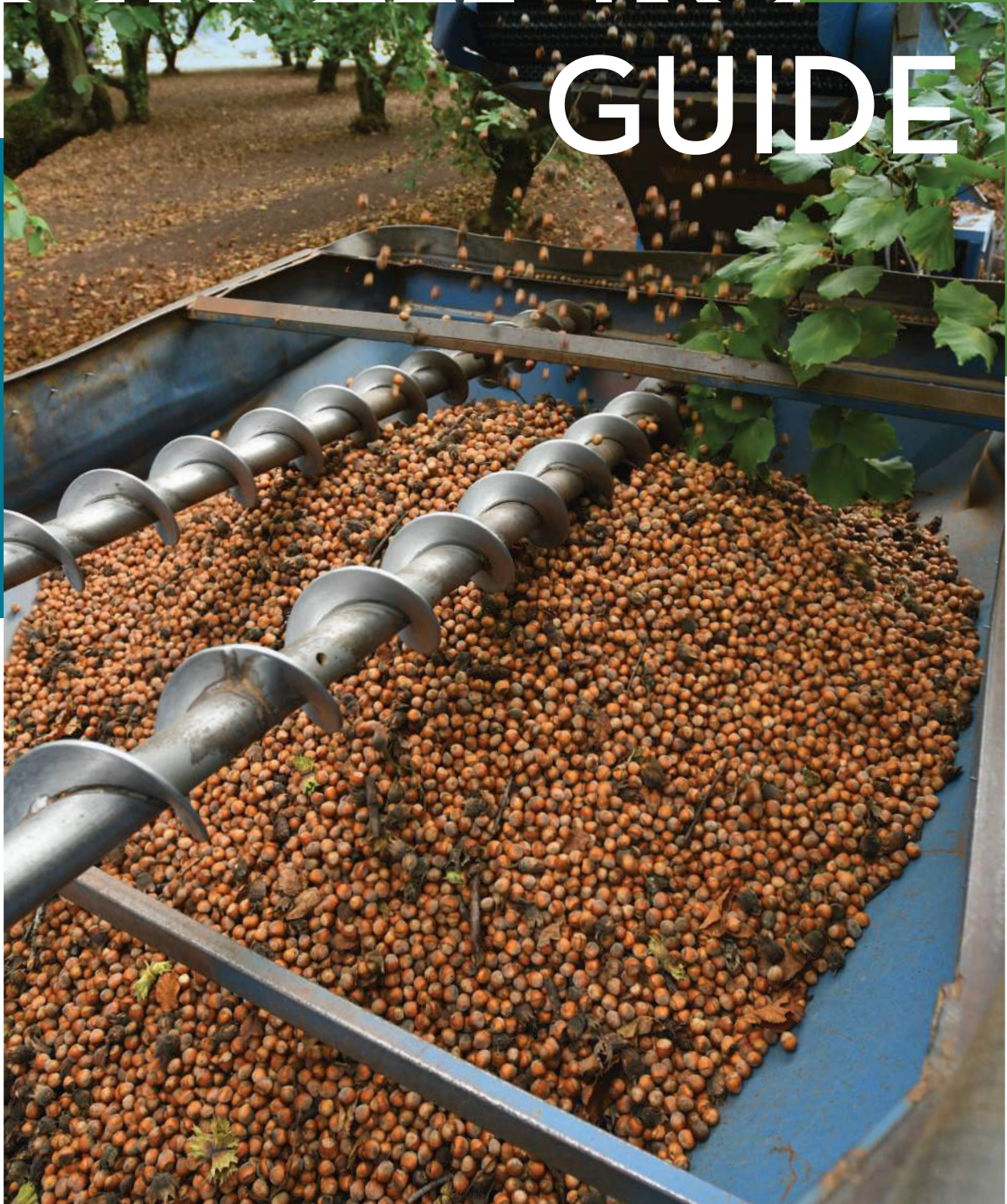




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# 2025 A WORD FROM LARRY & SHAUN

Dear Friends & Fellow Hazelnut Growers,

The Oregon hazelnut industry was significantly impacted by big changes in 2024. However, even with nearly 30% of the industry's processors collapsing in the first half of 2024, the harvest and processing seasons were smooth and successful. This season has shown us that the Oregon hazelnut industry is strong and resilient, and there are clear reasons for continued optimism about the future of Oregon hazelnuts.

Processing and marketing hazelnuts is a complex business that requires precision planning and execution. George Packing Company (GPC) and Northwest Hazelnut Company (NWH), through long-term investments in the industry, have established lasting, stable, and economically sustainable supply chains, with the goal of maximizing returns back to growers. The continuation of a transparent, fixed-fee processing model is our commitment to continuing to invest in the future of the industry.

GPC and NWH have led the industry in promoting hazelnuts in both domestic and international markets, continuing to invest heavily in new markets, technology, and innovations. We have all seen how currency exchange rates, trade conflicts, inflation, logistical breakdowns, and other issues can dramatically affect the Oregon hazelnut market. However, our efforts to build strong market relationships have allowed GPC/NWH to effectively market and sell the nuts you deliver to us every year. Our rapidly increasing capacity and state-of-the-art facilities allowed us to process the harvest with record efficiencies and the highest quality, gaining Oregon hazelnut farmers millions in increased field prices. We are very excited about the many market opportunities that we are working on for the future of our industry.

In 2024, we added Hazelnut Growers of Oregon (HGO) to our team, acquiring their assets and facility. Although there were fundamental problems with the HGO plant, the depth of our team's expertise gave us the unique ability to solve these problems. We took possession on September 1st, and by October 15th, the plant was already an important part of processing the 2024 crop. We expect full modification and conversion to be completed by mid-summer 2025, and the HGO plant will fully realize its potential for the Oregon hazelnut industry this upcoming harvest!

The hazelnut market has rebuilt from the lows of 2022 — and this year, we realized a profit share of more than \$40 million for just the GPC/NWH/HGO growers!! This rapid normalization of field pricing gives us great optimism for the upcoming seasons. With your partnership, we can continue to maintain the highest quality products and most transparent supply chain in the world.

This Grower's Guide presents useful tips and resources in an easily accessible place to help you prepare for this year's harvest. As always, thank you for your continued business!

Warmest regards,



Larry George  
GEORGE PACKING COMPANY



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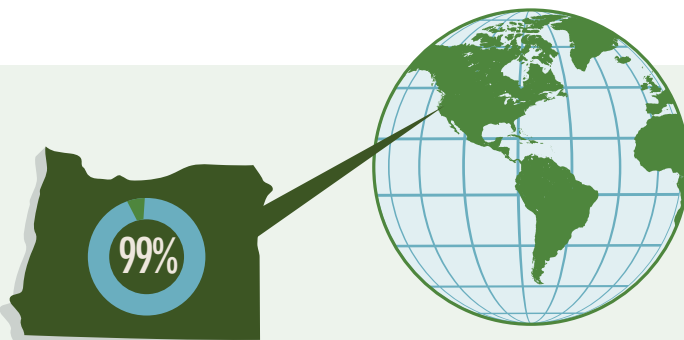


# OREGON'S GROWTH HAZELNUT PRODUCTION

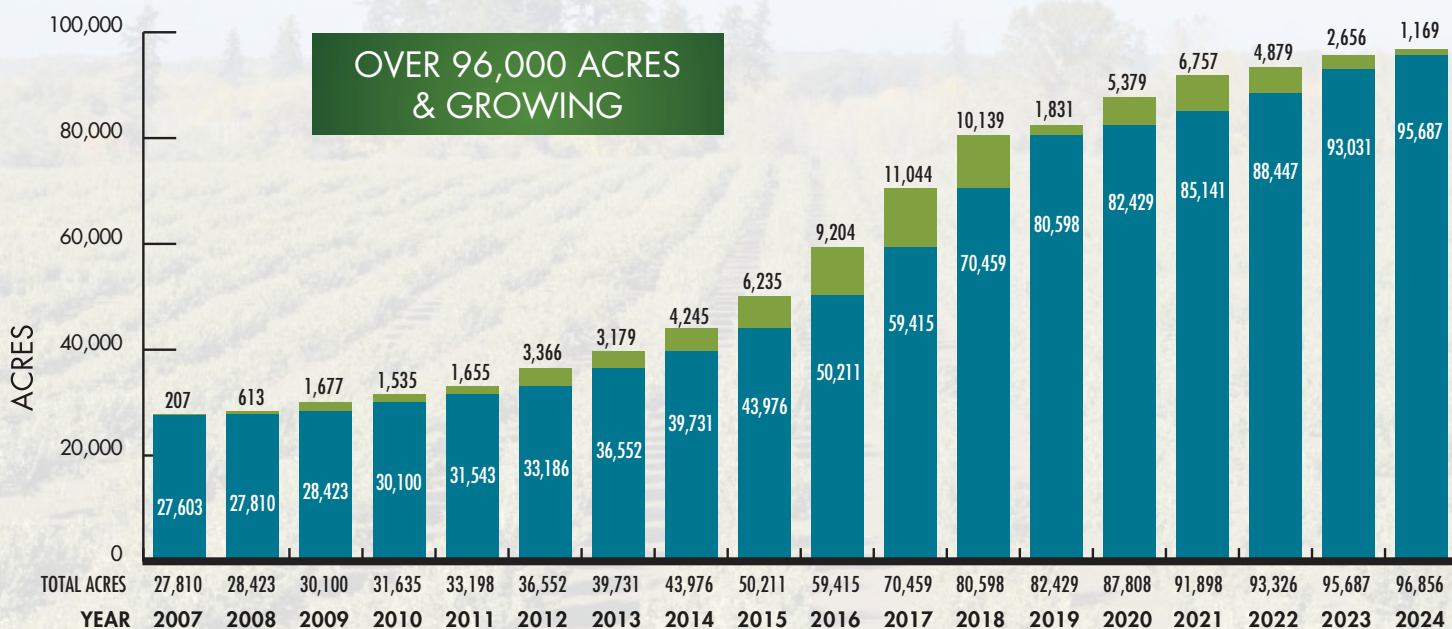
Our industry has experienced 17 years of rapid growth and expansion, with the total acreage nearly tripling in size. Fully mature and producing acreage currently stands between 50,000-70,000 acres, while about 64,000 new acres have been planted since 2008. Total acreage for the hazelnut industry now stands at approximately 96,000 acres, while new orchards are still being planted at a slower rate. Some farmers are transitioning from crops like cane berries and grass seed to hazelnuts as the popularity of hazelnuts grows. Older hazelnut orchards susceptible to the Eastern Filbert Blight are being removed at a rate of around 500-1,000 acres per year.

## INTERESTING FACT

The Willamette Valley only produces 5-6% of the world's hazelnuts, but 99% of the United States' hazelnut harvest.



## New & Established Acreage from 2007 to 2024



Established Acres New Acres

DATA SOURCE:  
Pacific Agricultural Survey LLC  
USDA NASS (National Agricultural Statistics Service)

# HAZELNUT PRODUCTION WORLD MARKETS



Oregon is proudly playing a significant role in the global hazelnut industry. While making up about 99% of the U.S. hazelnut harvest, Oregon contributes an impressive 5-6% to the world's total production. With Turkey leading at nearly 2/3 production, Oregon has established itself as one of the top three hazelnut-producing regions in the world, showcasing the quality and flavor of our local hazelnuts.

## INTERESTING FACT

The 2024 California almond crop was estimated to be 2.8 billion "kernel meat" pounds, making Oregon's record 2024 hazelnut crop roughly 3% of the California almond crop in kernel weight.

## Estimated World Hazelnut Production

### Inshell Basis – Metric Tons

| COUNTRY                                    | 2024–2025  |           |                |              | 2025–2026  |           |                |              |
|--|------------|-----------|----------------|--------------|------------|-----------|----------------|--------------|
|  | BEG. STOCK | CROP      | TOTAL SUPPLY   | ENDING STOCK | BEG. STOCK | CROP      | TOTAL SUPPLY   | ENDING STOCK |
| TURKEY                                     | 135,000    | 785,000   | <b>920,000</b> | 150,000      | 150,000    | 609,000   | <b>759,000</b> | 89,000       |
| ITALY                                      | 2,000      | 95,000    | <b>97,000</b>  | 5,000        | 5,000      | 120,000   | <b>125,000</b> | 5,000        |
| USA  | 1,000      | 89,000    | <b>90,000</b>  | 1,000        | 1,000      | 102,000   | <b>103,000</b> | 5,000        |
| CHILE                                      | 2,600      | 56,000    | <b>58,600</b>  | 1,500        | 1,500      | 92,000    | <b>93,500</b>  | 2,000        |
| AZERBAIJAN                                 | 4,000      | 65,000    | <b>69,000</b>  | 0            | 0          | 75,000    | <b>75,000</b>  | 3,000        |
| CHINA                                      | 2,000      | 55,000    | <b>57,000</b>  | 1,500        | 1,500      | 65,000    | <b>66,500</b>  | 0            |
| GEORGIA                                    | 1,400      | 45,000    | <b>46,400</b>  | 500          | 500        | 45,000    | <b>45,500</b>  | 500          |
| IRAN                                       | 2,000      | 18,000    | <b>20,000</b>  | 0            | 0          | 24,000    | <b>24,000</b>  | 1,200        |
| FRANCE                                     | 2,000      | 6,500     | <b>8,500</b>   | 0            | 0          | 12,000    | <b>12,000</b>  | 0            |
| SPAIN                                      | 500        | 12,000    | <b>12,500</b>  | 600          | 600        | 7,500     | <b>8,100</b>   | 400          |
| OTHERS                                     | 0          | 31,600    | <b>31,600</b>  | 0            | 0          | 29,700    | <b>29,700</b>  | 0            |
| WORLD TOTAL                                | 152,500    | 1,258,100 | 1,410,600      | 160,100      | 160,100    | 1,181,200 | 1,341,300      | 106,100      |
| WORLD CONSUMPTION (T, Supply - End, Stock) |            |           |                | 1,250,500    |            |           |                |              |

### Kernel Basis – Metric Tons

| COUNTRY                                    | 2024–2025  |         |                |              | 2025–2026  |         |                |              |
|--|------------|---------|----------------|--------------|------------|---------|----------------|--------------|
|  | BEG. STOCK | CROP    | TOTAL SUPPLY   | ENDING STOCK | BEG. STOCK | CROP    | TOTAL SUPPLY   | ENDING STOCK |
| TURKEY                                     | 67,500     | 392,500 | <b>460,000</b> | 75,000       | 75,000     | 305,000 | <b>380,000</b> | 44,500       |
| ITALY                                      | 910        | 40,000  | <b>40,910</b>  | 2,100        | 2,100      | 54,600  | <b>56,700</b>  | 2,275        |
| USA  | 440        | 39,600  | <b>40,040</b>  | 440          | 440        | 44,900  | <b>45,340</b>  | 2,200        |
| CHILE                                      | 1,120      | 24,640  | <b>25,760</b>  | 660          | 660        | 40,500  | <b>41,160</b>  | 880          |
| AZERBAIJAN                                 | 1,500      | 24,700  | <b>26,200</b>  | 0            | 0          | 28,500  | <b>28,500</b>  | 1,140        |
| CHINA                                      | 800        | 22,000  | <b>22,800</b>  | 600          | 600        | 26,000  | <b>26,000</b>  | 0            |
| GEORGIA                                    | 500        | 15,750  | <b>16,250</b>  | 175          | 175        | 15,750  | <b>15,925</b>  | 175          |
| IRAN                                       | 840        | 7,560   | <b>8,400</b>   | 0            | 0          | 10,100  | <b>10,100</b>  | 500          |
| SPAIN                                      | 800        | 2,600   | <b>3,400</b>   | 0            | 0          | 4,800   | <b>4,800</b>   | 0            |
| FRANCE                                     | 225        | 5,400   | <b>5,625</b>   | 270          | 270        | 3,400   | <b>3,670</b>   | 180          |
| OTHERS                                     | 0          | 13,300  | <b>13,300</b>  | 0            | 0          | 12,500  | <b>12,500</b>  | 0            |
| WORLD TOTAL                                | 74,635     | 588,050 | 662,685        | 79,245       | 79,245     | 546,050 | 625,295        | 51,850       |
| WORLD CONSUMPTION (T, Supply - End, Stock) |            |         |                | 583,400      |            |         |                |              |

SOURCES: 2024/25: Black Sea Hazelnut Exporters Association, Hazelnut Committee of Chile, China Chamber of Commerce for Import and Export of Foodstuffs, Georgian Hazelnut Growers Association, AEOFRUSE, and other INC sources. Sources 2025/26: Black Sea Hazelnut Exporters Association, Iranian Ministry of Agriculture Jihad, Hazelnut Committee of Chile, AEOFRUSE and other INC sources.



# YEARLY GROWING CALENDAR

A lot of work goes into raising prized Oregon hazelnuts—or filberts, as we often call them. Hazelnuts thrive in the mild climate of the Willamette Valley. Follow this annual growing calendar to maintain a healthy orchard.

|                          | JAN | FEB | MAR | APR | MAY | JUN | JUL | AUG | SEP | OCT | NOV | DEC |
|--------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Pruning                  | 🌳   | 🌳   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 🌳   |
| Fertilizing              |     | 🌳   | 🌳   |     |     |     |     |     |     | 🌳   | 🌳   |     |
| Moss & Lichen            |     |     | 🌳   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 🌳   |     |
| Winter Moth              |     |     | 🌳   | 🌳   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Flail                    |     |     | 🌳   | 🌳   | 🌳   | 🌳   | 🌳   | 🌳   |     |     |     |     |
| Cultivate                |     |     |     |     | 🌳   | 🌳   | 🌳   | 🌳   |     |     |     |     |
| Weed Control             |     |     | 🌳   | 🌳   |     | 🌳   |     |     |     |     | 🌳   |     |
| Sucker Control           |     |     |     |     | 🌳   | 🌳   | 🌳   | 🌳   |     |     |     |     |
| Omnivorous Leaftier      |     |     |     | 🌳   | 🌳   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Foliar Boron Application |     |     |     |     | 🌳   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Aphid Control            |     |     |     | 🌳   | 🌳   | 🌳   | 🌳   |     |     |     |     |     |
| Leafroller Control       |     |     |     | 🌳   | 🌳   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Obliquebanded Leafroller |     |     |     |     |     | 🌳   | 🌳   | 🌳   | 🌳   |     |     |     |
| Sun Scald Protection     |     |     |     |     | 🌳   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Filbertworm              |     |     |     |     |     |     | 🌳   | 🌳   |     |     |     |     |
| Bacterial Blight Control |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 🌳   | 🌳   |     |     |     |
| Leaf & Soil Analysis     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 🌳   |     |     |     |     |
| Pre-Harvest Care         |     |     |     |     |     | 🌳   | 🌳   | 🌳   | 🌳   |     |     |     |
| Harvesting               |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 🌳   | 🌳   |     |     |
| Management               | 🌳   | 🌳   | 🌳   | 🌳   | 🌳   | 🌳   | 🌳   | 🌳   | 🌳   | 🌳   | 🌳   | 🌳   |
| Eastern Blight           |     |     | 🌳   | 🌳   | 🌳   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |









For more tips on growing hazelnuts, contact our office: 503-537-9606.  
Read more at our OSU Resources Page: [Filberts.com/osu-resources](https://filberts.com/osu-resources)

# OREGON HAZELNUT VARIETIES

The Oregon State University (OSU) traditional hazelnut breeding effort dates to the 1960s, developed by visionary growers looking to the future. OSU leads the team of breeders and extension scientists who develop new, highly productive, disease-resistant varieties. This guide illustrates the main varieties traditionally grown and currently being planted in the Willamette Valley.

## TRADITIONAL VARIETIES (WITHOUT GASAWAY GENE)

|   | NAME<br>ESTABLISHED DATE      | ESTIMATED<br>KERNEL<br>YIELD % | BLANCHING*<br>SCORE | PERCENT<br>DOWN** | RECOMMENDED<br>POLLINIZERS +<br>(ADDITIONAL)                   | NUT WT.<br>(GRAMS) | GOOD<br>NUT % |
|---|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|--|--------------------|---------------|
|    | <b>Barcelona</b><br>EST 1895  | 39-43                          | 4.5/5.0             | 95% BY<br>OCT 14  | Gamma,<br>York,<br>McDonald                                    | 3.3-3.8            | 70-85         |
|    | <b>Casina</b><br>EST pre-1980 | 50-53                          | 6.0                 | 95% BY<br>OCT 8   | Felix,<br>York   | 1.4-2.2            | 78-89         |
|   | <b>Clark</b><br>EST 1999      | 48-51                          | 2.6-3.5             | 95% BY<br>OCT 8   | Felix,<br>York   | 2.5-2.8            | 69-81         |
|   | <b>Ennis</b><br>EST 1980      | 43-46                          | 6-7                 | 95% BY<br>OCT 14  | J5,<br>Casina,<br>Felix,<br>York                               | 3.1-4.6            | 64-92         |
|  | <b>Lewis</b><br>EST 1997      | 46-48                          | 4-5                 | 95% BY<br>OCT 7   | Wepster, York,<br>Felix (Tonda<br>di Giffoni,<br>Hall's Giant) | 2.7-2.9            | 83-90         |
|  | <b>Sacajawea</b><br>EST 2006  | 48-50                          | 2.5-3.5             | 95% BY<br>SEP 26  | McDonald,<br>York<br>(Lewis)                                   | 2.8                | 84            |

\*Blanching Scale = 1 (99%) to 7 (0%) pellicle removal

\*\*Nut drop is also affected by crop load, drought stress, EFB infection stress, weather, and age of the trees.

### SOURCES:

catalog.extension.oregonstate.edu/em9073/html Growing Hazelnuts in the Pacific Northwest: Hazelnut Varieties (Jeff L. Olsen, Shawn Mehlenbacher, Rebecca L. McCluskey, David Smith. EM9073. Oregon State University, November 2013)

Smith, David & McCluskey, Rebecca & Mehlenbacher, S.A.. (2018). New hazelnut cultivars from Oregon State University. Acta Horticulturae. 1226. 47-52. 10.17660/ActaHortic.2018.1226.6. (online at [http://www.actahort.org/books/1226/1226\\_6.htm](http://www.actahort.org/books/1226/1226_6.htm))

Cumulative Table X. Cumulative nut and kernel weight (g), percent kernel, and frequency of good nuts and defects in the replicated yield trial planted in 2006.



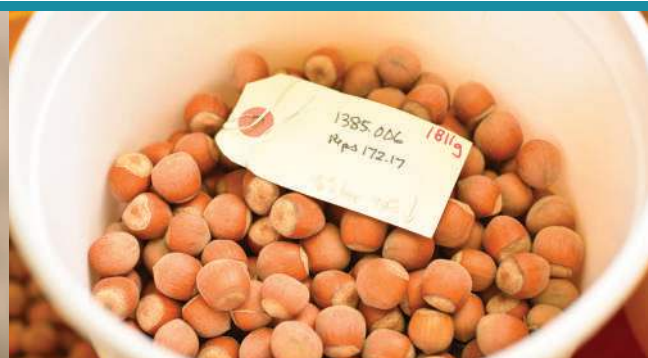
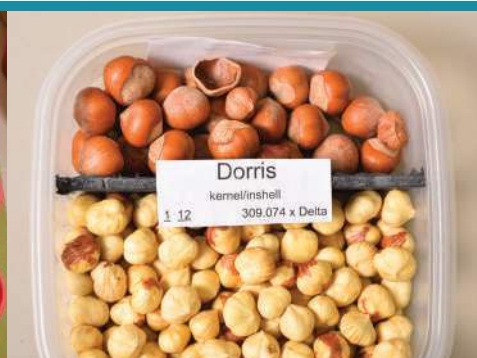
# OSU VARIETIES (GASAWAY GENE)



|   | NAME<br>ESTABLISHED DATE     | ESTIMATED<br>KERNEL<br>YIELD % | BLANCHING*<br>SCORE | PERCENT<br>DOWN** | RECOMMENDED<br>POLLINIZERS +<br>(ADDITIONAL)        | NUT WT.<br>(GRAMS) | GOOD<br>NUT % |
|---|------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|---|--------------------|---------------|
|    | <b>Dorris</b><br>EST 2012    | 38-43                          | 2.4-2.9             | 95% BY<br>OCT 14  | York, Felix,<br>McDonald,<br>Yamhill<br>(Gamma)     | 3.4                | 79-81         |
|    | <b>Jefferson</b><br>EST 2009 | 40-45                          | 4-5                 | 95% BY<br>OCT 14  | Felix, Eta,<br>Theta<br>(York)                      | 3.7                | 76.84         |
|    | <b>McDonald</b><br>EST 2014  | 46-52                          | 3.5                 | 95% BY<br>SEP 26  | Wepster,<br>York<br>(Dorris)                        | 2.4                | 88            |
|   | <b>PollyO</b><br>EST 2018    | 44-48                          | 3.5                 | 95% BY<br>SEP 26  | McDonald,<br>Wepster,<br>York                       | 2.75               | 85            |
|  | <b>Wepster</b><br>EST 2013   | 42-46                          | 3.0                 | 95% BY<br>SEP 26  | McDonald,<br>York, Felix<br>(Yamhill,<br>Jefferson) | 2.4                | 80            |
|  | <b>Yamhill</b><br>EST 2008   | 43-49                          | 4.4-5.0             | 95% BY<br>SEP 26  | York, Dorris,<br>Wepster<br>(Gamma,<br>Jefferson)   | 2.3                | 75-91         |

## OSU'S WORLD-CLASS HAZELNUT BREEDING PROGRAM

Learn more about the world-class program at - [www.plantbreeding.oregonstate.edu](http://www.plantbreeding.oregonstate.edu).



# PREMIUM HAZELNUTS

## BLANCHING SCALE



Blanching Scale =  
1 (99%) to 7 (0%) pellicle removal.

0 = 100% pellicle removal  
exclusive to NWH.



 **LEVEL 0**  
**NWH Exclusive**



**LEVEL 1**



**LEVEL 2**



**LEVEL 3**



**LEVEL 4**



**LEVEL 5**



**LEVEL 6**



**LEVEL 7**



# HOW TO CHOOSE NEW PLANTINGS

Before planting a new orchard, one should give serious consideration to varieties, orchard design, orchard site (soil and slope suitability), pre-plant soil management, and other factors. Some varieties are much more sensitive to Eastern Filbert Blight (EFB). See the chart below for a relative spectrum of EFB susceptibility. With new plantings, one should consider mixing in a number of pollen-compatible varieties, with suggestions at the present time leaning toward the new EFB-resistant gene pollinizer varieties released by OSU's Hazelnut Breeding Program, which are Eta, Felix, Gamma, Theta, and York. Here is a list of new varieties with the Gasaway resistance gene and their recommended pollinizers.

## NEW VARIETIES AND THEIR RECOMMENDED POLLINIZERS:

Jefferson = 40%Theta, 40%Eta, 20%Felix  
Dorris = York, Yamhill, McDonald  
Yamhill = York, Dorris, McDonald, Wepster  
Wepster = McDonald, York, Felix  
McDonald = Wepster, York, Felix  
Sacajawea = McDonald, York, Felix  
PollyO = McDonald, Wepster, York

## RELATIVE SPECTRUM OF EFB SUSCEPTIBILITY

| Highly Susceptible                     | Susceptible                                       | Less Susceptible      | Some Resistance               | Gasaway Resistance  |
|--|---|-----------------------|-------------------------------|---|
| Ennis<br>Daviana<br>Casina<br>Piedmont | Barcelona<br>Butler<br>Hall's Giant<br>Willamette | Lewis<br>Clark<br>Gem | Sacajawea<br>Tonda di Giffoni | Yamhill<br>Jefferson<br>Dorris<br>Wepster<br>McDonald<br>Theta<br>Eta<br>Felix<br>York<br>Gamma<br>PollyO |

SOURCE: David C. Smith, Hazelnut Breeding Program, Department of Horticulture, Oregon State University  
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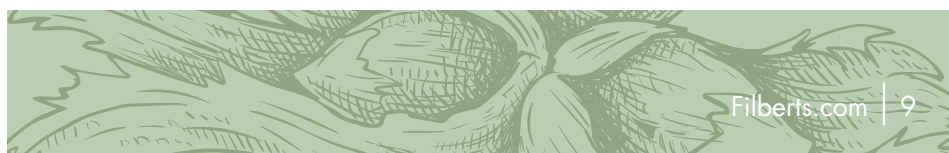


## RECOMMENDED POLLINIZERS



| NAME         | KERNEL<br>YIELD % | BLANCHING*<br>SCORE | NUT WT.<br>(GRAMS) | GOOD<br>NUT % |
|--------------|-------------------|---------------------|--------------------|---------------|
| <b>Eta</b>   | 48                | 3                   | 2.8                | 75            |
| <b>Felix</b> | 50                | 1.8                 | 2.5                | 95            |
| <b>Gamma</b> | 52                | 6.0                 | 2.5                | 80            |
| <b>Theta</b> | 50                | 2.5                 | 2.3                | 85-93         |
| <b>York</b>  | 44                | 4.4-4.8             | 2.8                | 81-84         |

\*Blanching Scale = 1 (99%) to 7 (0%) pellicle removal



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# INVEST IN HAZELNUT AGRONOMY RESEARCH

## OSU ENDOWMENT

For nearly two generations, Oregon hazelnut growers have been focused on developing hazelnut varieties that are resistant to the Eastern Filbert Blight. For simple survival, our industry has invested heavily in the Oregon State University (OSU) Hazelnut Breeding Program and even created an "endowment" to permanently fund the breeding research position.

Now, with over 90,000 acres planted, farmers up and down the state are asking more questions about increasing yield and improving quality through agronomy. Such research will increase per acre production and therefore higher per acre returns for growers. With market pressures like we have seen over the past few years, future profitability will rest on expanding "per acre" yields and reducing defects such as mold, insect damage, and shrivel.

Many experts believe that, with additional research in agronomy, we can increase gross returns per acre by 15-25%. The addition of Dr. Nik Wiman in 2012 as OSU's Orchard Crops Extension Professor has been a huge benefit for our industry.

Dr. Wiman earned a BS (biology) and MS (entomology) from Montana State University, where he worked on biological control of weeds in rangeland. From there, he transitioned into tree fruit entomology, working for nearly a decade on mating disruption, biological control, and pest population dynamics in Wenatchee, Washington. He ultimately earned his PhD (entomology) from Washington State University in 2011.

On October 13, 2022, George Packing Company was a signer of an Endowed Fund Gift Agreement with the Oregon State University Foundation to create the **"Hazelnut Chair at The North Willamette Research & Extension Center."** The objective is for the hazelnut industry to raise \$2 million over the next 8 years to create a permanent and stable funding source for hazelnut agronomy research.

Currently, Dr. Wiman's position is subject to state legislative funding, OSU budget allocations, and independent fundraising – none of which lend themselves to the long-term planning we need for a permanent crop like hazelnuts. This endowment will give long-term funding stability to Dr. Wiman and his team's hazelnut agronomy research. Please remember to support Dr. Wiman's efforts with an investment from your farm into the endowment – Dr. Wiman's research is adding more money to everyone's pocket!



**Support Dr. Nik Wiman's Research.**  
**Donate today online at**  
**[www.bit.ly/OSU-Endowment](http://www.bit.ly/OSU-Endowment)**  
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For more information on how to donate, please call 503-537-9606.



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# EXCLUSIVE BENEFIT TO OUR GROWERS

## YEAR-ROUND CHEMICAL & FERTILIZER PROGRAM

George Packing Company (GPC), Northwest Hazelnut Company (NWH), and Hazelnut Growers of Oregon (HGO) will help pay your hazelnut orchard chemical and fertilizer bill all year long. Our experienced management team works with our growers to ensure maximum production from their orchards and maximum profit for their families.

### HOW IT WORKS

#### 1 Choose your Partnering Chemical Company.

**Helena Agri Enterprises LLC**  
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**Pratum Co-Op**  
503-364-3353 | Salem

**Simplot Grower Solutions**  
541-369-2826 | Halsey/Independence

**Valley Ag**  
[www.valleyag.com/locations](http://www.valleyag.com/locations) | All Locations

**Wilbur-Ellis Company**  
541-369-2896 | All Locations

If your regular supplier is not listed, please call us to inquire about setting up an account with them.

#### 2 Sign a seasonal contract to cover the chemical bills.

#### 3 Purchase the necessary chemicals and fertilizers approved for hazelnut orchards and charge them to our account.

#### 4 Chemical costs will be deducted from the payment for your crop.

#### 5 You can view invoices paid on your behalf and a running balance on our Grower Portal.

**Sign up and qualify before your next chemical & fertilizer purchase!**

CONTACT OUR GROWER RESOURCE TEAM:

**Cheryl Mueller**  
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**Kreston Koziuk**  
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# HAZELNUT CLEANING & DRYING PROCESS



Farm families in the GPC and NWH processing network invest millions expanding cleaning and drying capacity for your crops. We keep cleaning and drying costs low while maintaining the highest quality hazelnuts for world markets. Learn more at [Filberts.com/grower-resources](http://Filberts.com/grower-resources).



## HARVEST EARLY, OFTEN & DRY!!!

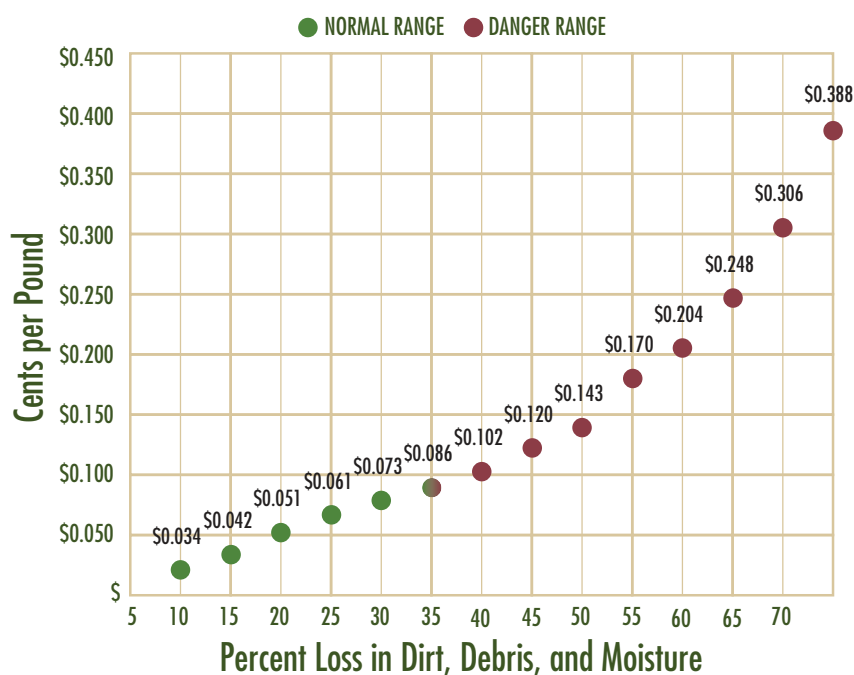
## HARVESTING CLEAN & DRY MEANS HIGHER RETURNS

As a hazelnut grower, you know harvesting in dry weather maintains quality and saves on grower dockage. But did you know it can make you big money? **Look closely at cleaning and drying costs — you'll see \$0.05-\$0.10 or more of your field price chiseled away by bringing in wet and dirty hazelnuts.**

Most hazelnut processors subsidize the cost of cleaning and drying. However, **the more dirt, debris, and moisture (DD&M) the grower brings in, the more the grower pays of the cleaning and drying costs.** The Hazelnut Growers Bargaining Association designed its sliding scale to reward growers who maintain their hazelnuts and deliver the high quality that Oregon markets demand.

A grower with 10% DD&M pays just a little over \$0.03/lb., while growers with 40% DD&M pay over \$0.10/lb. — that's 3x as much! **By harvesting early, you not only save money, but you help boost Oregon hazelnuts' reputation as the highest quality in the world.**

### COST PER POUND FOR CLEANING & DRYING



# GEORGE PACKING COMPANY PARTNER RECEIVING STATIONS

Delivering your crop to George Packing Company has never been easier! We have 29 conveniently located receiving stations in the Pacific Northwest – from Lane County, Oregon, up to Chilliwack, British Columbia. Please look over the map below to find the station nearest you. We are grateful to the companies and families who run these stations for their partnership with George Packing Company, Northwest Hazelnut Company, and Hazelnut Growers of Oregon.

With 30 years of constant investment into the latest processing technologies, our growers have consistently realized the highest returns in the industry for their harvest. Please consider delivering your 2025 crop to one of our convenient and friendly receiving stations.

**Fraser Valley  
Hazelnuts**  
(CANADA)



**Washington  
Hazelnut**  
(WASHINGTON)



## Alvadore Receiving Station

90867 Railroad, Junction City, OR 97448  
541-206-1319

## Aurora Receiving Station Depot (Bulk)

19988 Highway 99E, Aurora, OR 97032  
503-982-8030

## Bush's Fern View Farms (Bulk)

90651 Territorial Highway, Junction City, OR 97448  
541-935-5222

## Chapin Dehydrating (Bulk)

2161 Waconda Road NE, Gervais, OR 97026  
503-510-4731

## Christenson Receiving Station (Bulk)

12545 SE Kimsey Road, Dayton, OR 97114  
503-435-9357

## Ernst Nursery (Bulk)

6180 Gearin Road NE, St. Paul, OR 97137  
503-510-4444

## Fraser Valley Hazelnuts

6678 Sumas Prairie Road, Chilliwack, BC V2R 4K1  
604-997-7811

## Gingerich Farms (Bulk)

29995 S. Elisha Road, Canby, OR 97013  
503-651-3742

## Golden Tree Farms (Bulk)

15195 NE Ribbon Ridge Road, Newberg, OR 97132  
503-537-9606

## Greenberry Hazelnuts (Bulk)

27500 Llewellyn Road, Corvallis, OR 97333  
541-231-5426

## Heesacker Farms, Inc.

45868 NW Hillside Rd, Forest Grove, OR 97116  
503-539-5439

## Hoffman Farms Depot

22307 SW Munger Lane, Sherwood, OR 97140  
503-519-4829

## Kauer Farms (Bulk)

7325 SE Amity Dayton Highway, Amity, OR 97101  
971-241-8339

## K&D Receiving Station (Bulk)

38000 Shady Bend Rd NE, Albany, OR 97322  
541-990-0229

## KCK Receiving Station (Bulk)

12200 SE Cruickshank Rd, Dayton, OR 97114



503-209-7297

### Kirk & Sons Hazelnuts

4205 Wigrich Road, Independence, OR 97351  
541-936-0896

### Kropf Farms Receiving Station (Bulk)

24495 Powerline Road, Harrisburg, OR 97446  
206-227-6412

### Lingo Lane Receiving Station (Bulk)

28814 Lingo Lane, Junction City, OR 97448  
541-521-2293

### Mid Valley Ag Dryers (Bulk)

7550 65th Avenue NE, Brooks, OR 97305  
503-551-4507

### Missouri Ridge Ag Dryer, LLC (Bulk)

38111 S Nowlens Bridge Rd, Malalla, OR 97038  
503-580-6212

### North Valley Orchards

11706 SW Springhill Road, Gaston, OR 97119  
435-232-3509

### Pacific Hazelnut (Bulk)

1769 Franklin Street, Lebanon, OR 97355  
541-979-1200

### Pierce Receiving

24175 NE Dayton Avenue, Newberg, OR 97132  
971-235-4764

### RK Farms, Inc. (Bulk)

20245 Hubbard Cutoff Rd NE, Aurora, OR 97002  
971-409-0612

### Ropp Seed Company (Bulk)

35531 Kennel Road SE, Albany, OR 97322  
541-974-0806

### Ruef Brothers, LLC (Bulk)

11658 Baron Rd NE, Mt. Angel, OR 97362  
503-991-1707

### Sinn Hazelnut Farms Inc. (Bulk)

6331 Brush Creek Drive NE, Silverton, OR 97381  
503-851-7245

### Triple M Farms (Bulk)

7505 Windsor Island Road, Salem, OR 97303  
503-932-0489

### Washington Hazelnut (Bulk)

8740 Van Buren Rd, Everson, WA 98247  
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(Bulk) "Bulk Deliveries" accepted. Please call ahead.



# GEORGE PACKING COMPANY PARTNER RECEIVING STATIONS

## ALVADORE RECEIVING STATION

90867 Railroad, Junction City, OR 97448  
541-206-1319 WILLIE BAUER | 541-689-4159 OFFICE

**HARVEST HOURS:** 8AM-6PM (MONDAY-SATURDAY OR APPOINTMENT)

- 1 Bin Dryer | 1 Stack Dryer
- Tote Scale
- No Bulk Deliveries Accepted



## AURORA RECEIVING STATION DEPOT (BULK)

19988 Highway 99E, Aurora, OR 97032  
503-982-8030 OFFICE

**HARVEST HOURS:** 8AM-6PM (MONDAY-SATURDAY OR APPOINTMENT)

- Fast Transport to Washer/Dryer (LOCAL)
- 30' Truck Scale
- Bulk Deliveries (CALL AHEAD)



## BUSH'S FERN VIEW FARMS (BULK)

90651 Territorial Hwy, Junction City, OR 97448  
541-954-8070 DWAYNE BUSH | 541-935-5222 PEDRO - DRYER SEASON

**HARVEST HOURS:** 8AM-5PM (MONDAY-SATURDAY OR APPOINTMENT)

- High-Capacity Washer (DE-STICK, DE-ROCK)
- 6 Bin Dryers | 2 Stack Dryers
- Covered Storage | 30' Truck Scale
- Bulk Deliveries (CALL AHEAD)



## CHAPIN DEHYDRATING (BULK)

2161 Waconda Road NE, Gervais, OR 97026  
503-510-4731 MATT SCHUSTER | 503-569-4365 AUSTIN CHAPIN

**HARVEST HOURS:** 8AM-6PM (DAILY OR APPOINTMENT)

- High-Capacity Washer (DE-HUSK, DE-STICK, DE-ROCK)
- 8 Stack Dryers | Traceability and Inventory Tracking
- Covered Storage | Additional Capacity Available
- 70' Truck Scale | Fast Unload
- Bulk Deliveries (CALL AHEAD)



## CHRISTENSON RECEIVING STATION (BULK)

12545 SE Kimsey Road, Dayton, OR 97114  
503-435-9357 KELLI CHRISTENSON | 503-474-7036 LARRY CHRISTENSON

**HARVEST HOURS:** 7:30AM-6PM (DAILY OR APPOINTMENT)

- High-Capacity Washer (DE-HUSK, DE-STICK, DE-ROCK)
- 3 Stack Dryers | 60' Truck Scale
- Covered Storage | Hospitality Room
- Bulk Deliveries (CALL AHEAD)



## ERNST NURSERY (BULK)

6180 Gearin Road NE, St. Paul, OR 97137  
503-510-4444 BRUCE ERNST

**HARVEST HOURS:** 7AM-7PM (DAILY)

- High-Capacity Washer (DE-HUSK, DE-STICK, DE-ROCK)
- 6 Dryers | 11 Bulk Bays
- Full Length Truck Scale
- Bulk Deliveries (CALL AHEAD)



## FRASER VALLEY HAZELNUTS

6678 Sumas Prairie Road, Chilliwack, BC V2R 4K1  
604-997-7811 OFFICE

**HARVEST HOURS:** CALL FOR DETAILS



## GINGERICH FARMS (BULK)

29995 S. Elisha Road, Canby, OR 97013  
503-651-3742 OFFICE

**HARVEST HOURS:** 7AM-6PM (DAILY)

- High-Capacity Washer (DE-HUSK, DE-STICK, DE-ROCK)
- 5 Stack Dryers | 2 Stadium Dryers
- 50' Truck Scale | Covered Storage
- Bulk Deliveries (CALL AHEAD)



## GOLDEN TREE FARMS (BULK)

15195 NE Ribbon Ridge Road, Newberg, OR 97132  
503-537-9606 OFFICE | 888-700-6899 CHRIS MCGRAW

**HARVEST HOURS:** 7AM-7PM (MONDAY-SATURDAY OR APPOINTMENT)

- High-Capacity Washer (DE-HUSK, DE-STICK, DE-ROCK)
- 7 Stack Dryers
- 70' Truck Scale | Hospitality Room
- Bulk Deliveries (CALL AHEAD)





## GREENBERRY HAZELNUTS (BULK)

27500 Llewellyn Road, Corvallis, OR 97333  
541-231-5426 ERIC DAPP | 541-990-7898 PAM VENELL

**HARVEST HOURS:** 7AM-7PM (DAILY OR APPOINTMENT)

- High-Capacity Washer (DE-HUSK, DE-STICK, DE-ROCK)
- 7 Stack Dryers
- 100' Truck Scale | Belt Trailer Accessible Receiving
- Bulk Deliveries (CALL AHEAD)



## HEESACKER FARMS, INC.

45868 NW Hillside Road, Forest Grove, OR 97116  
503-539-5439 MATT FURROW | 503-333-1501 ANDREW ROBELLO

**HARVEST HOURS:** 7AM-7PM (MONDAY-SATURDAY); 12PM-3PM (SUNDAY)

- Stadium Dryers
- 60' Truck Scale



## HOFFMAN FARMS DEPOT

22307 SW Munger Lane, Sherwood, OR 97140  
503-519-4829 JAY HOFFMAN | 503-519-4836 JAYSON HOFFMAN

**HARVEST HOURS:** 7AM-7PM (DAILY)

- Fast Transport to Washer/Dryer (LOCAL)
- Truck Scale



## KAUER FARMS (BULK)

7325 SE Amity Dayton Highway, Amity, OR 97101  
971-241-8339 ERIC CHRISTENSEN | 503-932-2662 STEVE CHRISTENSEN

**HARVEST HOURS:** 7AM-6PM (DAILY OR APPOINTMENT)

- High-Capacity Washer (DE-HUSK, DE-STICK, DE-ROCK)
- 11 Stack Dryers
- 60' Truck Scale
- Bulk Deliveries (CALL AHEAD)



## K&D RECEIVING STATION (BULK)

38000 Shady Bend Rd NE, Albany, OR 97322  
541-990-0229 ANDREW KROPF

**HARVEST HOURS:** 7AM-7PM (MONDAY-SATURDAY OR APPOINTMENT)

- 8 Stack Dryers | Covered Storage
- Receiving Totes | Easy I-5 Access
- Bulk Deliveries (CALL AHEAD)



## KCK RECEIVING STATION (BULK)

12200 SE Cruickshank Road, Dayton, OR 97114  
503-209-7297 KEVIN COLEMAN

**HARVEST HOURS:** 7AM-7PM (DAILY)

- High-Capacity Washer (DE-HUSK, DE-STICK, DE-ROCK)
- 15 Bin Dryers
- 70' Truck Scale
- Bulk Deliveries (CALL AHEAD)



## KIRK & SONS HAZELNUTS

4205 Wigrich Road, Independence, OR 97351  
541-936-0896 LANCE KIRK

**HARVEST HOURS:** 7AM-7PM (DAILY OR APPOINTMENT)

- High-Capacity Washer (DE-HUSK, DE-STICK, DE-ROCK)
- 4 Stack Dryers
- 70' Truck Scale



## KROPF FARMS RECEIVING STATION (BULK)

24495 Powerline Road, Harrisburg, OR 97446  
206-227-6412 BARNEY KROPF

**HARVEST HOURS:** 7AM-7PM (DAILY OR APPOINTMENT)

- High-Capacity Washer (DE-HUSK, DE-STICK, DE-ROCK)
- 10 Bin Dryers | 3 Stack Dryers
- 35' Truck Scale | 60' Truck Scale Available
- Bulk Deliveries (CALL AHEAD)



## LINGO LANE RECEIVING STATION (BULK)

28814 Lingo Lane, Junction City, OR 97448  
541-521-2293 CHAD STRODA | 541-915-9487 CODY STRODA

**HARVEST HOURS:** 6AM-6PM (MONDAY-SATURDAY OR APPOINTMENT)

- High-Capacity Washer (DE-HUSK, DE-STICK, DE-ROCK)
- 6 Stack Dryers | 80' Truck Scale | Covered Storage
- Totes Available Onsite | Additional Capacity Available
- Bulk Unloading | Bulk Deliveries (CALL AHEAD)



## MID VALLEY AG DRYERS (BULK)

7550 65th Avenue NE, Brooks, OR 97305  
503-551-4507 HENRY BEUTLER | 503-551-4736 TIM BEUTLER

**HARVEST HOURS:** 7AM-7PM (MONDAY-SATURDAY OR APPOINTMENT)

- High-Capacity Washer (DE-HUSK, DE-STICK, DE-ROCK)
- 6 Stack Dryers | 10 Bin Dryers
- 75' Truck Scale | Hospitality Room
- Bulk Deliveries (CALL AHEAD)





## MISSOURI RIDGE AG DRYER, LLC (BULK)

38111 South Nowlens Bridge Road, Molalla, OR 97038  
503-580-6212 MATT KASER | [sublimityhazelnut@hotmail.com](mailto:sublimityhazelnut@hotmail.com)

**HARVEST HOURS:** 7AM-6PM (MONDAY-SATURDAY OR APPOINTMENT)

- High-Capacity Washer (DE-HUSK, DE-STICK, DE-ROCK)
- 6 Stadium Dryers
- Box Scale | Small Lots Welcome
- Bulk Deliveries (CALL AHEAD)



## NORTH VALLEY ORCHARDS

11706 SW Springhill Road, Gaston, OR 97119  
435-232-3509 SEAN KOHLMAYER

**HARVEST HOURS:** 7AM-6PM (DAILY OR APPOINTMENT)

- High-Capacity Washer (DE-STICK, DE-ROCK)
- 1 Stack Dryer | 8 Bin Dryers
- Tote Scale



## PACIFIC HAZELNUT (BULK)

1769 Franklin Street, Lebanon, OR 97355  
541-979-1200 DAVE BRAUN

**HARVEST HOURS:** 7AM-6PM (DAILY OR APPOINTMENT)

- High-Capacity Washer (DE-HUSK, DE-STICK, DE-ROCK)
- 200,000 lbs. Drying Capacity
- 20' Truck Scale | Tote Scale
- Bulk Deliveries (CALL AHEAD)



## PIERCE RECEIVING

24175 NE Dayton Avenue, Newberg, OR 97132  
971-235-4764 ZECH BOECKMAN

**HARVEST HOURS:** 7AM-6PM (MONDAY-SATURDAY OR APPOINTMENT)

- High-Capacity Washer (DE-HUSK, DE-STICK, DE-ROCK)
- 3 Stack Dryers
- 70' Truck Scale



## RK FARMS, INC. (BULK)

20245 Hubbard Cutoff Road NE, Aurora, OR 97002  
971-409-0612 TANNER KOENIG | 503-351-6669 JEFF KOENIG

**HARVEST HOURS:** 7AM-7PM (DAILY OR APPOINTMENT)

- High-Capacity Washer (DE-STICK, DE-ROCK)
- 18 Auger Dryers | 2 Washlines
- 70' Truck Scale | Covered Storage
- Bulk Deliveries (CALL AHEAD)





## ROPP SEED COMPANY (BULK)

35531 Kennel Road SE, Albany, OR 97322  
541-974-0806 CHRIS ROPP | [roppseedco@yahoo.com](mailto:roppseedco@yahoo.com)

**HARVEST HOURS:** 8AM-6PM (DAILY OR APPOINTMENT)

- Washer (DE-HUSKER, DE-ROCKER)
- 250,000 lb Drying Capacity
- Hospitality Room | Certified 70' Truck Scales
- Expanded Bulk Receiving Capabilities



## RUEF BROTHERS, LLC (BULK)

11658 Baron Road NE, Mt. Angel, OR 97362  
503-991-1707 TOM RUEF | 503-559-7754 RAY FREY

**HARVEST HOURS:** 8AM-6PM (DAILY OR APPOINTMENT)

- High-Capacity Washer (DE-STICK, DE-ROCK)
- 12 Bin Dryers | Covered Storage
- 80' Truck Scale | Quick Turnaround
- Bulk Deliveries (CALL AHEAD)



## SINN HAZELNUT FARMS INC. (BULK)

6331 Brush Creek Drive NE, Silverton, OR 97381  
503-851-7245 JONATHAN SINN | 971-218-6374 JORDAN SINN

**HARVEST HOURS:** 8AM-6PM (MONDAY-SATURDAY OR APPOINTMENT)

- High-Capacity Washer (DE-HUSK, DE-STICK, DE-ROCK)
- 8 Stack Dryers | Covered Storage
- 80' Truck Scale | Fast Unload
- Bulk Deliveries (CALL AHEAD)



## TRIPLE M FARMS (BULK)

7505 Windsor Island Road, Salem, OR 97303  
503-932-0489 DANIEL MCKAY

**HARVEST HOURS:** 7AM-6PM (DAILY OR APPOINTMENT)

- High-Capacity Washer (DE-HUSK, DE-STICK, DE-ROCK)
- 2 Stack Dryers | Covered Storage
- 35' Truck Scale
- Bulk Deliveries (CALL AHEAD)



## WASHINGTON HAZELNUT (BULK)

8740 Van Buren Road, Everson, WA 98247  
360-815-3551 JON DELANGE

**HARVEST HOURS:** 7AM-7PM (DAILY OR APPOINTMENT)

- High-Capacity Washer (DE-HUSK, DE-STICK, DE-ROCK)
- Stadium Dryer
- Pallet Scale | Covered Storage
- Bulk Deliveries (CALL AHEAD)



# HAZELNUT INDUSTRY ORGANIZATIONS



The idea for an industry office to house different entities with overarching goals goes back to 1949. Oregon's hazelnut industry organizations evolved to meet the industry's needs and avoid duplication of efforts. These four organizations named below share one industry office and staff. Each is responsible for different projects, and each is funded by grower, processor, or vendor dollars.

| ORGANIZATION   | MAKE-UP  | FUNDED BY  | RESPONSIBILITIES  |
|--|--|--|---|
| <b>Hazelnut Marketing Board (HMB)</b>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 5 Growers (geographic rep)</li> <li>• 4 Handlers</li> <li>• 1 Public Member</li> <li>• Voted on by growers &amp; handlers &amp; appointed by the US Secretary of Agriculture</li> </ul> | Handlers are assessed \$10 per ton of merchantable product handled.  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Administer Federal Marketing Order 982</li> <li>• Administer quality &amp; volume regulations</li> <li>• Oversee promotion program</li> <li>• Provide industry production &amp; use statistics</li> </ul>  |
| <b>Oregon Hazelnut Commission (OHC)</b>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 6 Growers (geographic rep)</li> <li>• 1 Handler</li> <li>• 1 Public Member</li> <li>• Recommended by NGS &amp; appointed by the Oregon Director of Agriculture</li> </ul>               | Growers are assessed \$17 per ton of merchantable product sold to handler. Handlers collect funds & send to OHC. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Administer Oregon State Commodity Commission Act</li> <li>• Administer production research with OSU &amp; private entities</li> <li>• Work with OSU Extension</li> <li>• Responsible for commodity commission legislation</li> <li>• Responsible for working with EPA to obtain special use chemicals</li> </ul> |
| <b>Nut Growers Society (NGS)</b><br>OF OREGON,<br>WASHINGTON<br>& BRITISH COLUMBIA | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 5 Growers (geographic rep)</li> <li>• 1 OSU Extension</li> <li>• Growers nominated &amp; voted on by growers</li> </ul>   | Dues (\$100 annually). Sponsorships.   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Disseminate industry information from other organizations via the newsletter &amp; proceedings of the annual meeting</li> <li>• Hold Annual Winter Meeting</li> <li>• Hold Summer Tour</li> </ul>  |
| <b>Associated Oregon Hazelnut Industries (AOHI)</b>                                | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 3 OHC Officers</li> <li>• 3 Largest Handlers</li> <li>• NGS President</li> <li>• Person familiar with current issue AOHI is pursuing</li> </ul>   | Contracts with NGS to do Summer & Winter Trade Shows.  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Federal &amp; state legislative matters</li> <li>• Other industry issues as needed</li> </ul>  |



The Nut Growers Society sponsors two meetings each year where hazelnut growers can attend workshops, tour orchards, visit with packers, and peruse trade booths for hazelnut farming-related industries and equipment manufacturers. The Annual Meeting takes place every January and the Summer Tour every August at rotating locations.

**To Learn More, Visit —**  
**OregonHazelnuts.org**



# HAZELNUT INDUSTRY GROWER ADVOCACY



The Hazelnut Growers Bargaining Association (HGBA) is a farmers' cooperative established in 1972. The grower-member association was created to provide growers and processors transparency and stability in the buying and selling of hazelnuts.



300+  
Active  
Members



85%  
Amount of today's total  
crop represented

## WHY JOIN THE HGBA?

By providing one of the country's most transparent and pro-farmer contracts, the HGBA is the envy of other commodity groups. We have a strong industry because of our open dialogue, cooperation, and trust established between growers and processors.

## GROWER ADVOCACY

The HGBA contract is unique to our industry. As a pro-grower contract, it sets a grower advance starting price in the fall, which member cash processors must pay growers regardless of market fluctuations. Because of this contract, Oregon farmers can count on a specific price, giving them all the upside over the entire market year, without the downside risk.

## PROCESSOR SUPPORT

The contract supports its processors by clearly defining rules for grading, dockage, cleaning and drying, transportation, and payment terms while requiring packers to treat all their growers the same.

## BENEFITS OF HGBA MEMBERSHIP

- Supports grower involvement and uniform pricing
- Sets payment terms within 45 days of final delivery
- Negotiates early guaranteed minimum price
- Transparent market intelligence
- Active membership that advocates for growers
- Multiple packer support

## MANAGEMENT TEAM

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## PACIFIC HAZELNUT CANDY FACTORY

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Andrew acquired Pacific Hazelnut Candy Factory in the historic village of Aurora, Oregon, back in 2010 and has grown it into what *Oregon Family Farmer* now calls "a must-see destination in Oregon." Pacific Hazelnut has been helping to grow the retail hazelnut market by continuing to expose it to many new retailers, Oregon stores, and new markets in co-manufacturing. The factory has a "one-stop gift shop" offering tasty treats made right on the premises, in addition to pre-made gift boxes and customized gift baskets. Be sure to stop by the factory or order online to get your hazelnut treats, seasoned or chocolate covered!



## KING FRESH

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[KingFreshllc.com](http://KingFreshllc.com)

King Fresh began as a produce business, branching out into hazelnuts in the fall of 2007 when they planted their first orchard. Since then, this mother-daughter team began processing and packaging hazelnuts, eventually outgrowing the family kitchen as they developed the unique flavors they proudly sell today.

You'll find King Fresh products gracing the shelves at many fine specialty markets including Market of Choice, Roth's Fresh Markets, and World Foods.



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PO Box 134, Junction City, OR 97448  
541.510.4464  
[HazelnutHill.com](http://HazelnutHill.com)

One of the few tree-to-table producers of hazelnut products in the U.S., Hazelnut Hill is a family-owned business located just north of Eugene, Oregon. They source their hazelnuts from the family's 400-acre farm and roast and make all products on-site to ensure the freshest, high-quality nut-based products. Their product lineup includes chocolate covered hazelnuts, nut butter, pancake mix, brittle and more.

Find their products online at [www.HazelnutHill.com](http://www.HazelnutHill.com) and specialty shops throughout the region.



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[BairdFamilyOrchards.com](http://BairdFamilyOrchards.com)

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