

Hops are easy to grow, prefer at least 8 hours of sun per day and require good drainage. Hops are a very hardy perennial vine. New shoots grow from the roots each year, are very vigorous, and will grow 20 to 25 feet in one season. Vines need a strong, vertical trellis. Used for making bittering beers, medicinal applications, privacy screening and for decorations. Produces fragrant greenish papery cone-like flowers after two seasons.

Variety	Type	Alpha Acids %	Storage	Ripens	Aroma/ Flavor	Growth	Uses
Mt. Hood	Low alpha aroma	4% - 6%	Very good	Mid August to Mid Sept.	Clean, mild, spicy	Vigorous upright	Wheat beers, lagers, and pilsners. Medicinal.
Nugget	High alpha bittering	12.5% - 14.5%	Very good	Mid August to Mid Sept.	Heavy herbal	Vigorous upright	IPAs, barleywine, ales, and stouts. Medicinal.
Willamette	Low alpha aroma	4% - 6%	Fair	Mid August to Mid Sept.	Spicy, woody	Vigorous upright	Pale ales, lagers, and teas.

Alpha Acids % is a measurement of the bitterness in the hop.