

Whitestem Gooseberry

Ribes inerme

Height: 6'-8'
Width: 5'-6'
(At Maturity)
Growth Rate: Moderate
USDA Zone: 3-7
Bloom: Green/Yellow
Time: April/June
Sun: Full/partial
Water: Medium



This is a long lived native shrub that will tolerate shade and produces an edible fruit. This is one member of the Ribes family that has a stem that is mostly free of thorns and are light in color. The fruit become tinged pink to red when mature and are tart.

This shrub is adaptable to a wide range of soil types and seems to do well in both acidic and alkaline soils. It grows best in moist well drained soils. In the wild this shrub is often found along streams, lakes, and near wetlands.