

## AMERICAN GINSENG (*Panax Quinquefolius*)



West Virginia Code §19-1A-3a:

Ginseng season in West Virginia runs from September 1 through November 30. Diggers have until March 31 of each year to sell to a registered West Virginia ginseng dealer or have roots weight-receipted at one of the Division of Forestry weigh stations located throughout the state. Possession of ginseng roots is prohibited from April 1 through August 31 without a weight-receipt from the Division of Forestry.

Ginseng plants must be at least five years old or older and have at least three prongs before they can be harvested. Seeds from the plant must be planted on the site of the harvest. Ginseng must be certified before leaving the boundaries of the state. Only registered ginseng dealers can certify ginseng. In the state of West Virginia, you do not need a permit or license to dig ginseng.



At Shady Grove, we grow native American Ginseng in the hardwood forests of the Appalachian region of West Virginia. We do not apply fertilizers, pesticides or any other type of application to our plants. We believe in natural, organic methods to ensure the best quality of roots, leaves and seeds for our customers and help strive for a sustainable future of wild American ginseng.