

**NORDAMERIKANSKE TRÆFRØLEVERANCER TIL
DANMARK O. 1800¹**

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**SUPPLIES OF NORTH AMERICAN FOREST SEEDS TO DENMARK
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Summary

The late 18th century experienced a vivid European interest in acquisition of North American trees and bushes for gardening and forestry. Until 1800, when the first Danish diplomatic representation in the United States of America was founded, all seed and plant supplies to Denmark were brought about by English or German commercial houses. But since then, the consul general in Philadelphia arranged almost annual supplies of several hundred species and varieties to Danish botanical and silvicultural institutions. In this way, the political and commercial rapprochement with USA during the Napoleonic Wars, contributed to intensify the experimental introduction of North American tree species to Denmark.