

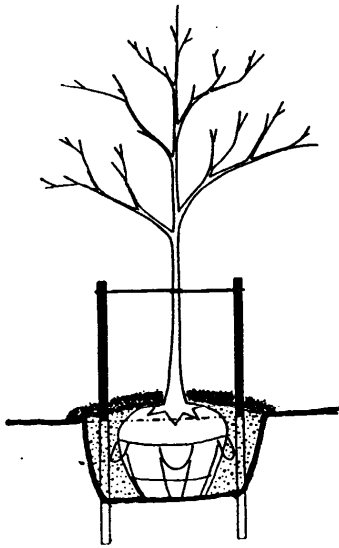
General Planting Instructions for Shade and Flowering Trees

1. Dig hole 9-12" wider than root ball.
2. Set tree in hole so that the top of the root ball is 1-2" above ground level or 3-4" above ground level in clay soils or wet locations.
3. Fill around root ball with existing topsoil, packing firmly, to 1/2 the total depth. (See "Important Notes" #1 below)
4. Water thoroughly.

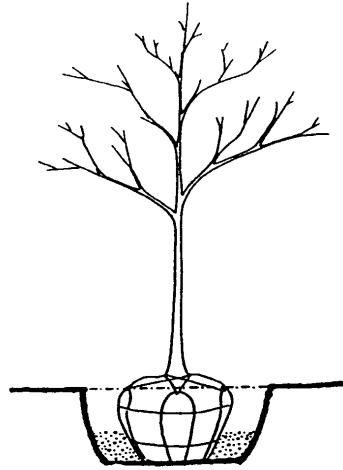
If plant is potted, remove pot.
If plant is balled in burlap (B&B) -

- DO NOT REMOVE BURLAP

BAG OR WIRE BASKET !!

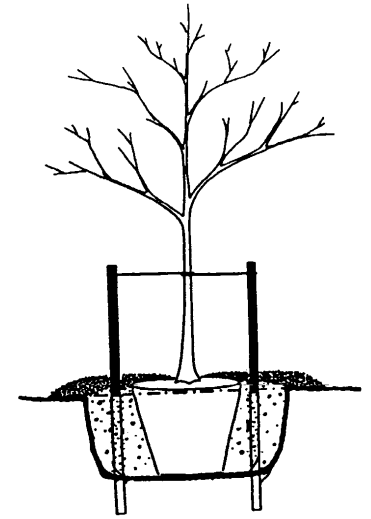
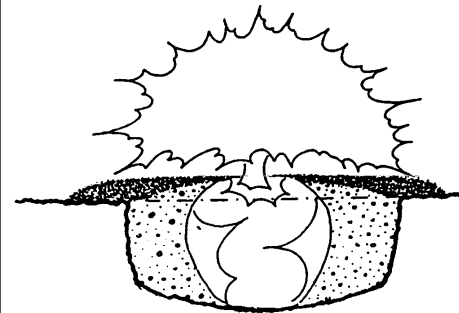
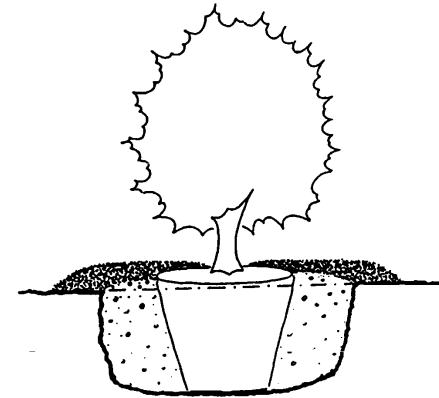


5. After water has drained, loosen burlap and any strings or ties from around the trunk. (For trees with wire baskets, bend top wire loops down into the hole.)
6. Fill Remaining area around the root ball, packing firmly, until root ball is covered.
7. Drive stakes securely into the ground close to the root ball.
8. Tie tree stakes so that the ropes are just taut. Check frequently during the growing season, making sure that the ropes do not cut into the bark of your tree.
9. Finish by placing a skim-coating of aged mulch around the base of the tree.



General Planting Instructions

1. Dig planting hole twice as wide as root ball.
2. Remove plant from plastic container if potted. If balled in burlap (B&B), **DO NOT REMOVE BURLAP!!** Set plant in hole so that the top of root ball is 1-2" above ground level.
3. Fill around root ball with existing topsoil, packing firmly, to 1/2 the total depth. (See "Important Notes" #1 below)



4. Water thoroughly. (Root area of plant, not foliage.)
5. Carefully loosen burlap and any strings or ties from around trunk. Be careful not to damage the root ball.
6. Fill remaining area around the root ball, packing firmly, until the root ball is covered.
7. Spread a skim-coating of aged mulch over the top of the root ball. Keep the mulch away from the trunk of the plant.
8. Finish by watering deeply and thoroughly.

Important Notes:

1. If planting in overly dry, compacted, or clay soil, add 1/3 to 1/2 peat moss mixed thoroughly with soil.
2. Water all plant material upon delivery and twice a day until planted.

Important Notes:

3. Water thoroughly twice a week for the first two weeks and once a week for the remainder of the first growing season.
4. Plants transplanted from containers will require more frequent watering until established.