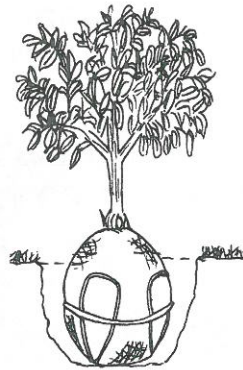


# Planting Process

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## Balled & Burlaped Plants

1. **Position rootball in planting hole.** A wide shallow hole  $\frac{3}{4}$  as deep and  $1\frac{1}{2}$  times as wide as rootball.



2. **Preparation of rootball and planting.**

Cut twine around trunk and tip of rootball, remove nails; fold back burlap to the sides of the rootball. Do not remove wire cage. No need to loosen roots. Mix soil conditioner with existing soil or if existing soil is chert replace with landscape mix to back fill. Back fill soil and tamp. Finish planting by packing soil firmly around sides of rootball. Water well with Root Stimulator. Add 2" to 3" of mulch on top.

3. **Water them right!** Always water with open-ended slow-trickle hose.

## Container Plants

1. If root bound, loosen the roots of plants grown in pots...thoroughly!

2. **Plant them right!** A wide shallow hole  $\frac{3}{4}$  as deep as the rootball.

Azaleas, Yews and Rhododendrons prefer a raised planting bed for adequate drainage.

Mix soil conditioner with existing soil. Back fill soil half way, water thoroughly. Finish planting by packing

soil firmly round sides of rootball. Water well with Root Stimulator. Add 2" to 3" of mulch on top. Stay clear of crown of plant.



3. **Water them right.** Use a slow-trickle, open-ended hose at base of plant. Check soil moisture 2" below the mulch before water.

