

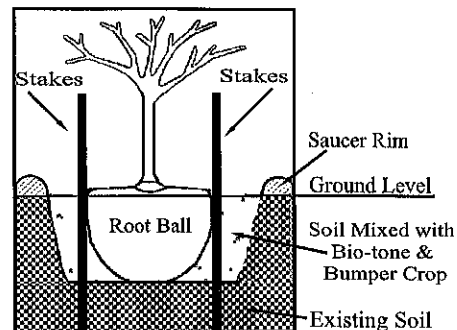
Planting Instructions

THE 3 MOST IMPORTANT KEYS TO SUCCESS.

1. Water all plants thoroughly, everyday until planted. **Plant within 10 days of purchase.**
It is preferable to keep plants out of direct sun until planted.
2. Plant at the proper depth. Never let soil or mulch touch the trunk or branches.
3. Water 2 times per week for 1 month (after 1 month once a week). See Watering Instructions.

How to plant:

1. Water all container plants and plants in burlap thoroughly, 3 times about 5 minutes apart prior to planting.
2. Measure the height of the root ball. Dig the hole **1" less** than the height. Measure the width of the root ball. Dig the hole twice as wide. (For large trees and shrubs, 12" **wider than the rootball.**)
3. Remove 1/2 of the excavated soil and replace it with *Bumper Crop*. Add *Bio-tone Starter Plus* according to the chart below and mix thoroughly.



Amounts of Bumper Crop (2 cu ft) and Bio-tone Starter Plus

<u>Container size</u>	<u>Bumper Crop</u>	<u>Bio-tone Starter Plus</u>	<u>#of plants per 2 cu ft bag of Bumper Crop</u>
up to 2 gal	.5 cu ft	1 packet or 1 cup	4
3 to 5 gal	1 cu ft	2 packets or 2 cups	2
7 to 10 gal	1.5 cu ft	3 packets or 3 cups	1
15 gal	2 cu ft	4 packets or 4 cups	1
Larger	Consult with staff	4 cups plus 3 caps for every additional 5 gal	Consult with staff

4. Place the plant in the hole so it sits 1 inch higher than the surrounding soil
5. Fill the hole 2/3 full with the amended soil. Pack firmly and soak with water and allow it to settle. Add additional soil and fill to be level with the ground, making sure not to cover the root ball.
6. For large plants and trees, create a saucer and stake the plants as shown in the above diagram.
7. **DO NOT RELY ON YOUR IRRIGATION SYSTEM TO SUPPLY SUFFICIENT WATER.** Inspect your plants "frequently" and **FOLLOW OUR WATERING GUIDELINES**

Care After Planting:

Watering: See blue sheet 'Watering Guidelines'

Fertilizing: We recommend *Holly-tone* for evergreens and *Plant-tone*, *Flower-tone* or *Garden-tone* for trees, shrubs, perennials & for general purposes. Feed in the fall (after mid-October) and again in the spring (March-May).



Please do not hesitate to call us at (516) 378-7357, if you have any further questions.



Keys to Success



- * Water all plants thoroughly 3 times prior to planting. **Plant ASAP**
- * Plant at the proper depth— soil should never touch the trunk or branches.
- * Water thoroughly 2 times a week in addition to your automatic irrigation watering schedule— (once a week after one month) for the remainder of the year. *(see watering guidelines)
- * **DO NOT PLANT TOO DEEP.**

THE PLANT WILL NOT SURVIVE AND THE GUARANTEE IS VOID.

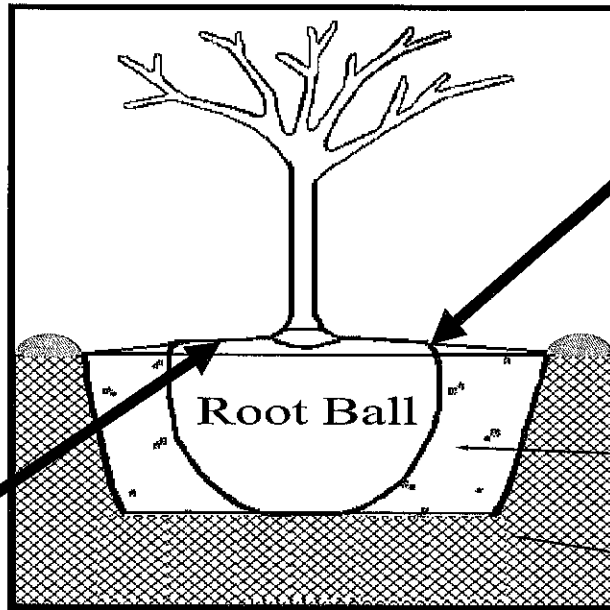
Give OUR Planting Instructions to whoever does the planting (gardener).

Please call us and email pictures immediately if your plants do not look as fresh and healthy as the day they were planted.

CORRECT

top of root ball slightly above ground level

top of root ball should be visible



fill soil up to edge

Saucer Rim

Ground Level

Soil Mixed with Bumper Crop & Bio-tone

Existing Soil

INCORRECT

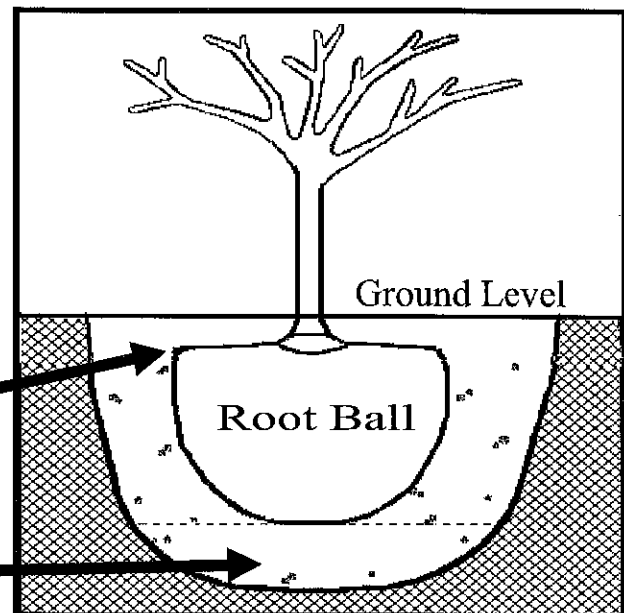
Detrimental to plant.

VOIDS GUARANTEE

WRONG

root ball below ground level and covered with soil

soil mix under the root ball



Ground Level

Root Ball



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