

# Tree Planting Guide

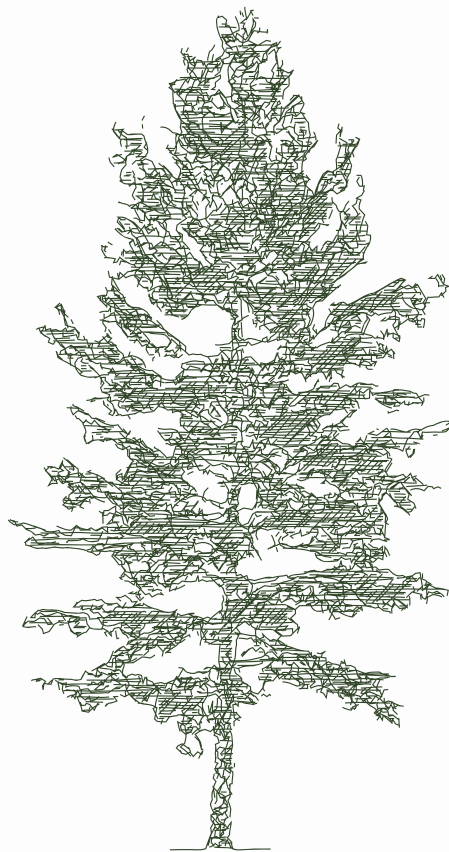
*After caring for your tree for the last several years, we are thrilled that you have decided to take it to its permanent home.*

*The steps below will help reduce transplant shock and help ensure your tree will be enjoyed for generations to come.*

**1 DIG** a hole that is 3-4 times wider and approximately the same depth as the container.

**2 LOOSEN** the root ball if needed by gently breaking up the dirt around the roots.

**3 PLANT** the tree in hole and backfill with dirt. If the dirt is hard or clumpy, loosen into smaller chunks. Gently press down the dirt around the trunk. It's not necessary to amend or add additional dirt - this can discourage the roots from going down into the native soil.



**4 MULCH** 2-4" deep in a 3' circumference around the tree, keeping the mulch from touching the tree trunk.

**5 WATER** regularly until established. Trees require slow, deep watering, generally accomplished best using a soaker hose or garden hose on a trickle. As a rule of thumb, water every day for the first week, and every other day for the next 2 - 3 weeks.

*Questions?*

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