

Steps To Planting a Container Tree

1. Prepare the proper planting hole.

When preparing any hole for planting, make it 2-3 times wider than the current root mass, this will allow you to apply your amended soil when filling the hole back in.

2. Inspect the roots and disturb when necessary.

Once the plant is out of its container, look at the roots. If they are densely bound in a circular pattern or have started growing in the shape of the container (even slightly), break up the pattern.

3. Plant High and Amended Soil

Fill the hole gently but firmly. Pack soil around the base of the root ball to stabilize it. Fill the hole firmly to eliminate air pockets. Further reduce air pockets by watering periodically while backfilling.

4. Add Mulch

Starting about two inches from the trunk (leave this area exposed), place roughly two inches of organic matter such as shredded leaves, or ground bark or nuggets around the plant, at least out to the drip line. Further is better. Mulch helps retain much-needed moisture and helps keep roots cooler near the surface—a very important requirement for newly installed plants.

5. Water Properly Until Established.

The most important job you will have after planting is to keep plants and trees well watered until established. See our Watering Guide on how to water properly.



Best time to plant?

Spring and fall are the best times to plant trees and shrubs because the soil temperature is mild. Trees (and shrubs) can be planted any time of the year that you can dig the proper planting hole. However, there are better times than others for multiple reasons. Spring is usually the preferable choice because your plants have all year to spread their roots and get established.

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HOW TO PLANT A TREE?

How Deep?

Planting a Container or BnB Tree is easier than you think... Youtube, Tiktok, and other platforms have various videos to watch on how to plant a tree/shrub. For the most part all the ways you plant are correct with one variable that always play an effect. How deep do you plant the tree/shrub. This is probably one of the most crucial parts of planting a tree/shrub. Rule of thumb is 4-6" above ground level. Creating a small berm will increase the chances of survival, growth, nutrients, and oxygen the plant will get and reduce the amount of excess water.

