



Guidelines for Planting Seedlings

Keep seedlings in a cool dry place until ready to plant. Seedlings have better survival if planted as soon as you receive them. Be sure to pick an appropriate spot for your tree. At least 15 feet from any structure, walk, or drive. Alternatively, the seedling may be planted in a 3-gallon pot for the first year if you desire.

1. Dig a hole about 1 foot in diameter and about 1 foot deep. "Chop up" the removed soil so there are no big clods and remove all rocks.
2. Plant the tree no deeper than the previous planting level. The top most lateral root should be about 1 inch below the surface of the soil. Replace the soil removed from the hole by hand to make sure the roots are evenly distributed. Do not add soil amendments.
3. Cover the soil with 2 inches of mulch - pine bark or wood chips, keeping the material away from the stem of the tree.
4. Water immediately after planting with 1 quart of water and continue watering weekly until plant is well established.

