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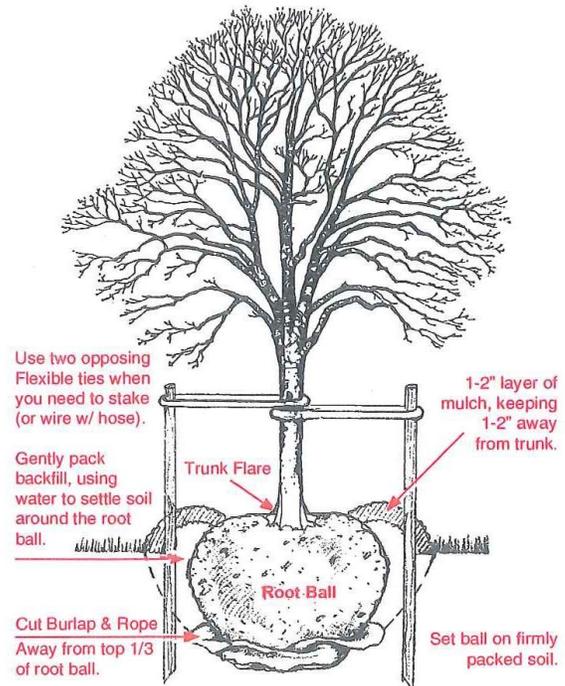
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PLANTING TREES & SHRUBS

1. Dig a hole 1 ½ - 2 times as wide as the diameter of the container / root ball and at least a few inches deeper than its depth.
2. Remove plastic pots completely. It is not necessary to remove burlap from B&B items, as it will rot away naturally.
3. Rip off the bottom third of root ball (note: container stock only). Loosen the soil around the roots with your fingers. This will help your plant to establish faster.
4. Place your plant into the hole and fill with water. Allow to drain. Do this 2-3 times (until the water sinks in more slowly).
5. Shovel soil back into the hole so that the position of the plants root ball is nearly at ground level. Backfill the hole by gradually firming up the soil around the root ball. Do NOT bury the trunk of the tree or shrub.
6. If necessary, position a stake directly against the side of the root ball and drive it further into the ground.

7. Water the plant thoroughly.
8. Apply a 1" -2" layer of mulch, which will aid in water retention and help to suppress any weeds.



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