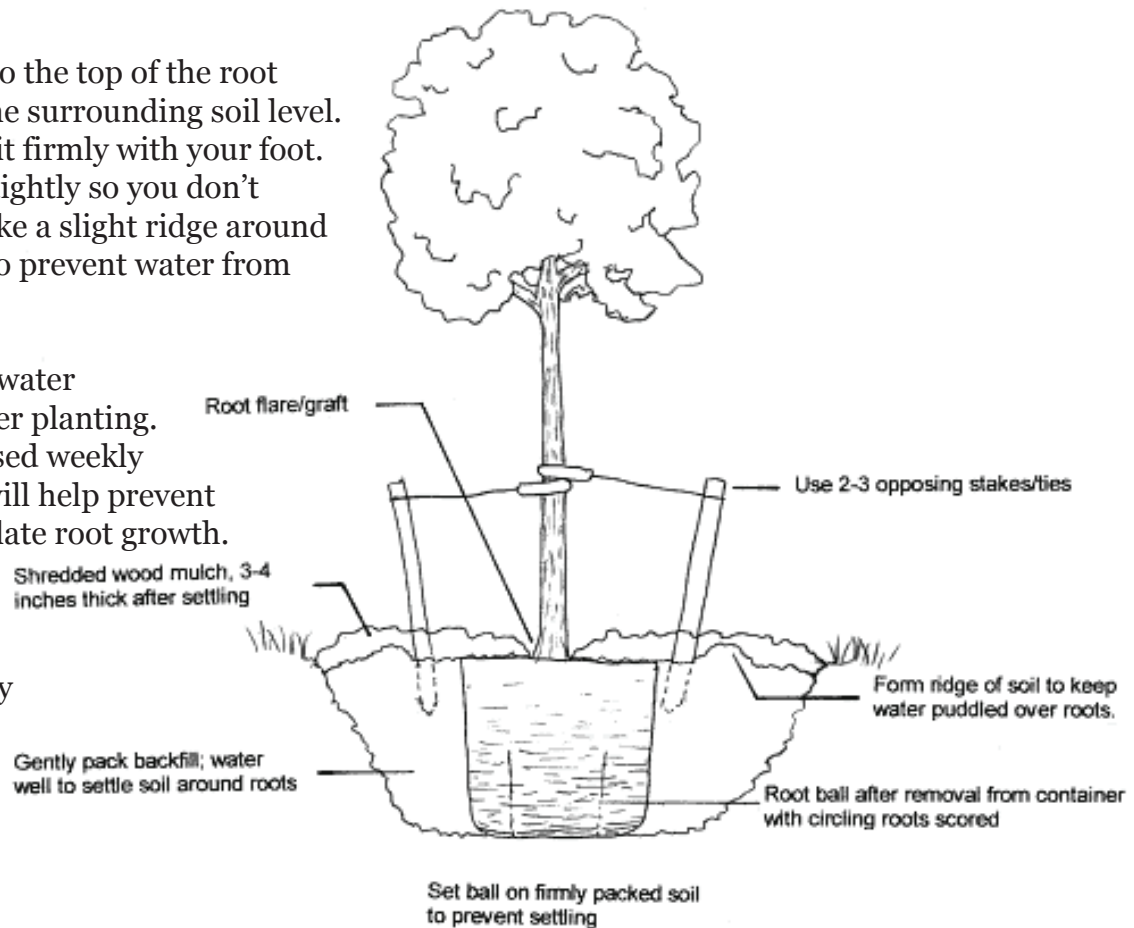


Planting Trees & Shrubs

1. Dig a hole twice the width of the rootball but no deeper than the the height of the ball or container. The plant should be planted at the same depth or higher than it is growing right now. The sides of the hole should be rough and sloped outward.
2. Mix 1/4 to 1/3 organic material such as Bumper Crop, LeafGro, or compost with the soil that is going back into the hole.
3. Remove the plant from the container and spread the roots. Never leave the roots in a circular pattern when planted. Disrupt this circling pattern by making several vertical cuts in the sides of the rootball and an X-shaped cut across the bottom with a sharp knife. If planting a tree with a rootball, remove the ropes and pull the burlap down being careful not to disturb the ball. After placing in the hole, carefully remove the burlap.
4. Set the plant into the hole so the top of the root system is no deeper than the surrounding soil level. Add backfill soil and tamp it firmly with your foot. Avoid packing the soil too tightly so you don't destroy the pore space. Make a slight ridge around the outer edge of the hole to prevent water from running off.
5. It is extremely important to water thoroughly immediately after planting. The product Root Master used weekly for the first 2 to 3 months will help prevent transplant shock and stimulate root growth.
6. Add a 2 to 3 inch layer of mulch over the root area, keeping it 4 to 5 inches away from the trunk of the plant. This will help maintain moisture, discourage weeds and add nutrients to the soil as it breaks down.
7. Enjoy your new plant!



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