

# How to Plant a Tree

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Dig a hole that is deeper than the seedling pot



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Remove the plant gently from its container, be careful not to tear the leaves or roots. (If it's hard to remove, try inverting the pot keeping your fingers securely around the base of the plant and gently squeezing the sides or tapping the bottom of the pot)



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Place the plant gently in the hole



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Fill around the plant with soil without leaving any air gaps



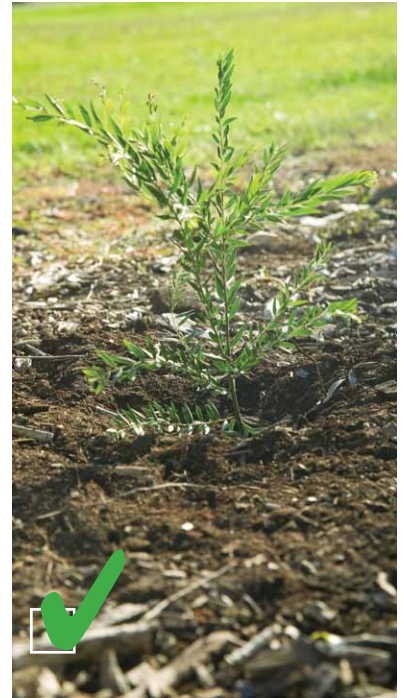
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Make sure the root system is not above the soil surface - try to have the plant sitting in a slight depression or well so that it will attract and retain water



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Make sure the plant is standing straight



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Press the soil down firmly to remove air pockets and add plenty of mulch around the base to reduce water loss and weed invasion



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If using plastic sleeve tree guards use 3 stakes – place 2 stakes on either side of the plant, place the sleeve over these and use the third stake to make sure you have a nice tight triangle



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If using a Tetra Pak carton as a treeguard (only suitable for very small seedlings) carefully place the open container over the top of the seedling placing two stakes at diagonals



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Water the seedling

Remember  
Trees need Love!  
Return to the site in the weeks and months after you've planted your seedling to carry out any necessary maintenance

