

Tips for Planting Trees and Shrubs

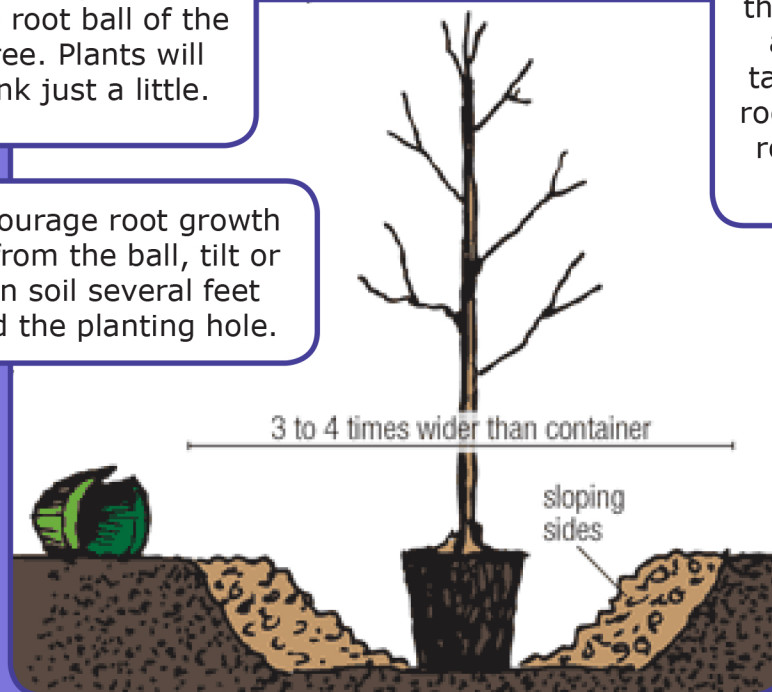
The professionals here at **Dutch Mill Greenhouse** are happy to plant your new trees and shrubs for you, but if you choose to plant them yourself, please keep these tips in mind to ensure a healthy life for your new trees and shrubs.

If planting near power lines, choose trees that grow no higher than 25 ft. when mature.

Prepare the site by digging a hole no deeper than the root ball of the tree. Plants will sink just a little.

When placing the plant in the hole, cut or pull away any circled, matted or tangled roots so that the roots radiate out from the root ball. Place root ball on top of firm soil.

To encourage root growth away from the ball, tilt or loosen soil several feet around the planting hole.



Backfill with a 50/50 mixture of compost and native soil from the hole. Water the soil to settle it instead of packing.

Keep watch on the plant to see how much water it requires. The tree should be watered at least once a week, barring rain, and more frequently during hot weather.