

# CONIFEROUS TREE PLANTING DETAIL

Remove all wire baskets,  
twine and burlap.

Before tree is in the hole,  
remove bottom of basket  
cutting horizontally.  
After tree is in the hole,  
remove rest of basket  
cutting vertically.

Backfill using existing soil.  
Water thoroughly to  
eliminate air pockets.

Add 1-2 inches of  
hardwood mulch.  
Keep mulch 3 inches  
from trunk.

Remove tags and  
labels.

Prune only dead or  
broken branches or  
double leaders.

Stake tree  
if necessary.

Remove excess soil  
to locate and expose  
root flare.

Root flare should be  
1-2 inches above  
finish grade.

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LEAVE SOIL UNDER ROOT BALL  
UNDISTURBED TO HELP SUPPORT IT  
AND REDUCE SETTLING.

1 1/2 - 2 TIMES BALL DIAMETER

