

KACKENHOFF NURSERIES LTD

SHRUB ROSES

PLANTING INSTRUCTIONS

1. Dig a hole that is twice the size of the root ball. This allows for the young roots to have room to grow.
2. Discard the heavy clay from the hole. The clay soils prevent the young roots from penetrating the soil.
3. Use Kackenhoff's flowerbed mix soil as fill (it's a mixture of topsoil, peat, compost, and sand).
4. **Plastic containers** - must be removed completely from the plant.
Wooden baskets - leave on and remove only the top rim. Be careful not to leave any part of the basket exposed, as it will act as a wick draining moisture away from the roots.
Burlap (B+B) - leave the burlap on and cut only the string burlap from around the trunk. Be careful not to leave any burlap exposed, as it will act as a wick draining moisture away from the roots.
5. Set the plant into the center of the hole and plumb. Level with the old soil mark on the stem (difference in color of the bark). Care must be taken not to plant the tree or shrub too deeply- especially grafted trees, the graft union should remain above the soil line.
6. Fill the hole to three-quarters with Kackenhoff's planting soil mix and firm down. Water with a plant starter fertilizer and let it seep away (this will expel any air pockets), add the balance of the soil, water and firm down soil. In our heavy soil a watering saucer is not recommended, rather, mound the soil slightly 2" to 3".
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WATERING

Water is crucial to a plant's health. Water regularly throughout the first growing season approximately once every three to four days for the first three to four weeks. Once the plant is established cut back the watering to twice a month. **Use common sense.** The amount of water a plant requires will vary from week to week due to the amount of precipitation or drought.

Plants are more often killed by overwatering rather than underwatering.

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