



Planting instructions

- Water your new plant well while it is still in its pot. It is best to actually submerge it in water for about 10 minutes.
- Dig a hole that is 1½ times the depth, and twice the width of the pot that the plant is in.
- Using a garden fork, loosen the sides and bottom of the hole you have dug.
- Mix a suitable fertilizer into the soil you have dug out of the hole, or add some rich organic matter to it (such as well rotted horse manure, or compost from your compost bin).
- Put some of this mix back into the hole, until you have the base of the hole at the height required. To check that the base is the correct level, place the plant, still in its pot, into the hole. It will be right when the compost level in the pot matches the soil level around the hole.
- Remove the plant from the pot by squeezing the sides and firmly tapping the base of the pot.
- If the roots are congested (“pot bound”) then tease some of them out with your fingers.
- Carefully place the well watered plant into the centre of the hole.
- Fill in round the sides of the rootball with more of the soil mix and push this down firmly with your fingers to ensure there are no air pockets.
- Once the soil is level around the plant, gently firm it with your hands or feet and water the whole area well.