Proper Planting

Use two opposing, flexible ties when staking is necessary. Ties should be placed on the lower half of the tree and allow trunk movement.

Keep mulch 1 to 2 inches (2.5 to 5 cm) back from trunk

2- to 4-inch (5- to 10-cm) layer of mulch

Gently pack backfill, using water to settle soil around the root ball.

Trunk Flare

Remove containers, wrappings, wires and ties.

Set ball on firmly packed soil to prevent settling.