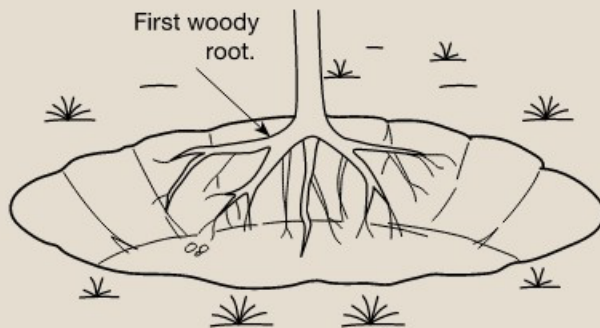




How to Plant a Bareroot Tree

- 1 Keep roots moist at all times.
Dry roots die.
- 2 Dig a hole twice as wide as and slightly deeper than root length.
- 3 Place roots in hole so top of first woody root is within 1" of soil surface.



- 4 Distribute roots evenly, making sure roots are straight and not doubled over or "J" rooted.



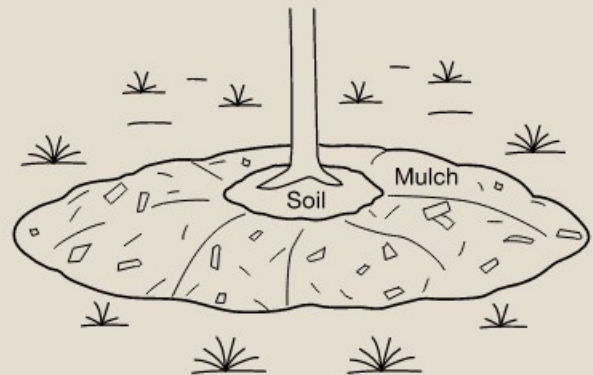
Don't create a "J" root.

Celebrate Arbor Month—plant trees.

- 5 Keeping tree straight, backfill hole up to top of first woody root.



- 6 Heel in soil with foot over entire backfill area to remove air pockets in the soil.
- 7 Water entire backfill area.
- 8 Layer 2"-4" of mulch over backfilled area, keeping mulch away from trunk.



Don't create a
mulch volcano.



©2014, MN DNR, State of Minnesota
An equal opportunity employer.