

Branching to be full throughout entire tree/shrub as is typical from the species.
Any broken branches to be removed

Single, straight, main trunk.
Lower branches may require removal for height clearance
(when / where applicable / specified)

3"-4" of woody mulch:
Shredded or Ground
hardwood bark mulch
(over landscape fabric
when/where specified)

Root flare to be level
with the finished grade

Remove wire baskets; or cut top and
fold down in pit after positioned for
backfill planting. Cut and remove or
fold down burlap from upper 1/2
of ball.

Cut and remove all poly ties and burlap !!

- or -

Remove Poly Pot and dispose

Water thoroughly to eliminate air pockets,
and to settle the surrounding soil

Finish Grade

Soil under ball undisturbed
to support root ball
and reduce settling

Break down sides of
hole when backfilling

3 times ball diameter

Backfill: Excavated soil or amended
as specified. Do Not Tamp !!!

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STANDARD PLANTING
TECHNIQUE FOR SHRUBS

STANDARD DETAIL DRAWING 2.04