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Proper planting depth

In my experience, I have learned that trees and evergreens don't do well if they are planted too high. Why? Because when the tree is planted too high and soil is mounded on top, the roots dry out too fast and will not develop properly. This will cause the tree to die. My suggestion is to plant the trees no more than two inches above grade. Also make sure your customer knows to water daily for at least 1-2 weeks. Sprinkler systems are not enough.

Many customers ask me if they should remove the burlap before planting, and the answer is yes, you should always remove at least the top half. This will allow the roots to spread and grow so the tree can thrive. If the burlap is left on, the roots will not be able to nourish the tree or take hold to support the growing tree. A lot of people will leave the burlap and rope in place in order to avoid staking the tree, but this is not the best way to plant a tree.

I hope you find this information helpful. If you have any questions about planting trees, just ask.

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