

Step-by-step guide to planting.

PLANTING POTTED STOCK

1. Make a simple spade slit and place stock in the slit beside the spade
2. Remove spade at the same time as lowering stock to the bottom of the slit
3. Gently raise the seedling to the correct position
4. Compress soil around seedling to close the slit
5. Firm down the soil with your heel on the spade side of the slit, then use the sole of your foot to firm down rest of soil
6. Paper-potted stock must be wet at planting
7. If you tear the paper this may assist the roots to explore the soil faster
8. Ensure no part of the paper pot is above the soil as it may act as a wick to evaporate water

POSITIVE PULL PLANTING

The positive pull planting technique has several advantages:

- Avoids the development of J-roots
- Avoids air pockets
- The trees are firmed in and straight trees are planted
- Prevents stem damage

Follow this guide when planting using the positive pull technique:

