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Step-by-step guide to planting.

PLANTING POTTED STOCK

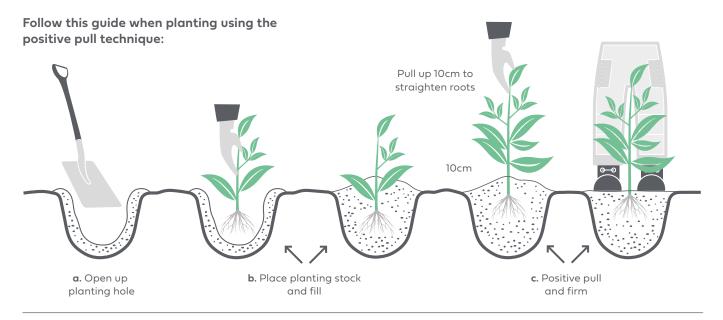
- 1. Make a simple spade slit and place stock in the slit beside the spade
- 2. Remove spade at the same time as lowering stock to the bottom of the slit
- 3. Gently raise the seedling to the correct position
- 4. Compress soil around seedling to close the slit
- 5. Firm down the soil with your heel 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



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