

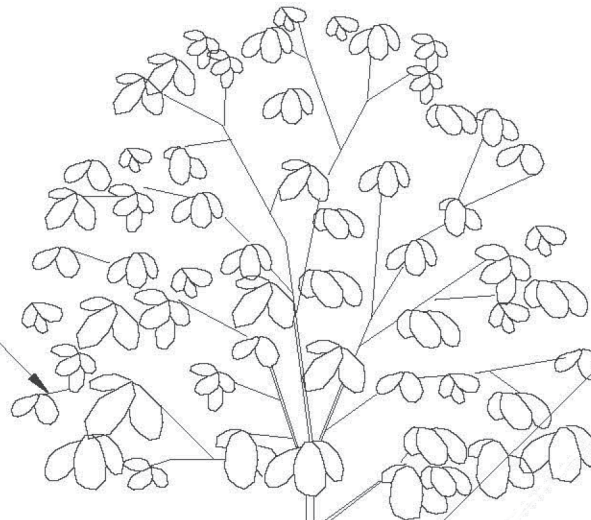
Prune only to remove any broken, dead or diseased wood while preserving form and character of shrub; do not cut leader; do not prune to reduce canopy size.

3" Hardwood Mulch

Finished Grade.

Planting holes must be 2-3 times width of root ball.

Remove all nylon, twine, and treated burlap.



Root flare must be visible and at or 2" above finished grade. Shrubs with root flare buried by soil or mulch will be rejected; do not pile mulch against trunk.

Gently pack backfill, using water to settle soil around root ball.

Place root ball on undisturbed soil or compacted sub-grade.

3x
Width of root ball

SECTION VIEW

Notes:

1. All shrubs shall conform to the standards set forth in the most recent American Standards for Nursery Stock published by the American Association of Nurserymen.
2. Staking of shrubs is not recommended, except on very windy locations. If staking must be done, flexible straps - not hose and wire - should be used to allow slack for shrub to move in wind. Staking must be removed 1 year after planting. Property owner is responsible for replacement of destroyed or damaged shrubs.
3. For balled-and-burlapped shrubs, once the plant is in the hole, remove top 1/2 of basket and top 1/2 of burlap. If burlap is treated or plastic-coated, all of burlap must be removed. Never use the trunk for leverage or as a handle to move the shrub.
4. For container-grown shrubs, carefully remove the plant from the container without using the trunk for leverage or as a handle. See Root Correction - Container-Grown Trees and Shrubs for instruction on performing required root ball shaving method for removing matted, girdling, or circling roots. Do not leave roots exposed for more than 5 minutes.
5. For all trees and shrubs, root flare must be visible and at or 2" above grade - shrubs planted too deep will be rejected.

UNION COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

STANDARD SHRUB PLANTING DETAIL