



PLANT DEPTH

Different depths in the soil have different types of tree roots with the highest proportion adapted to the top 300mm where the most aerobic conditions occur, so the correct positioning of the rootball at planting is important. It's common to see newly planted trees buried with up to 200 mm of surfacing over the rootball. The adjustment by the root system to the new position is a slow process.

To maintain the correct planting height long term, avoid over digging the tree pit. Many tree pits are specified at over 1.2m deep which will create surface settlement and leave the trees sitting in a shallow dish. Pooling of water can occur leading to stem problems.



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