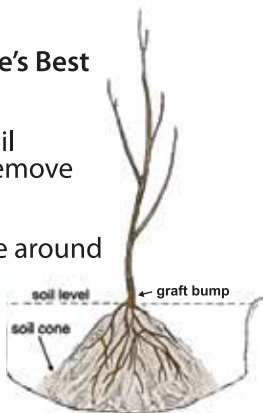


STEPS TO PLANTING A BARE-ROOT TREE

- Soak tree roots in water for a couple of hours before planting.
- Dig a planting hole large enough to allow the tree roots to spread and deep enough to plant the root system.
- Mix **Frugal Pro**, or **Lane Garden Compost** with the native soil.
- Mound a cone of soil in the middle of the hole (see example).
- Hold the tree vertical in the planting hole.
- Spread the roots around the soil cone.
- Keep the graft bump (just above the root zone) out of the soil.
- Refill the hole with **Nature's Best** and the native soil.
- Gently tamp down the soil around the tree root to remove air pockets.
- Generously water the tree around the roots.
- Prune top of tree back by about 1/3 to compensate for root loss.



If planting on a slope, mound the soil around the lower side of the tree then create a berm to catch and hold more of the water.

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