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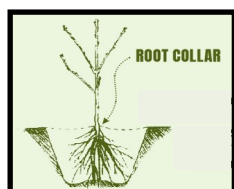
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Place seedling against vertical side of hole, replace soil wedge, then step on wedge to firm.



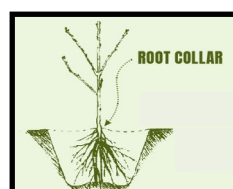
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- Place the root collar at the soil line. The root collar is a slight swelling of the main stem just above the roots
- Make the hole deep enough for the whole root system. Roots should hang freely in the planting hole and not be bent or curled
- Pack soil firmly around the roots to eliminate air pockets and create good root-to-soil contact
- Water well and check 3 times a week to be sure that that the soil is moist but not overly wet. Don't allow the soil to get dry. Water when needed. Next season you can water a little less often.

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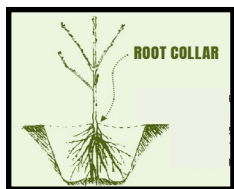
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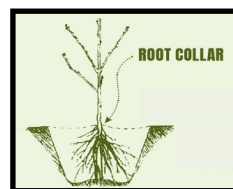
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