

# Cocoon planting guide

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## You will need

- A Cocoon (reservoir and lid)
- A tree shelter
- A healthy seedling
- Mycorrhizae soil enhancer (if applicable)
- 25 liters of water
- A shovel
- A measuring device
- Sticks or string to mark your Cocoon planting area

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## Selecting your seedling

Make sure your seedling is healthy and no larger than a 4 liter pot. You can always ask your nursery to help you select a suitable seedling.

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## Let's get started!



### Dig a hole 55cm in diameter and 25cm deep.

- a. Pre-water the hole with 25 liters of water if needed.
- b. Make sure the hole is level and free of rocks or sharp objects that may puncture the Cocoon.



### Place the Mycorrhizae in the center of the hole



### Place the seedling in the center and pack soil around the seedling roots to create a solid mound.



### Place the wicks in the slits of the Cocoon and hold the wicks with both hands



### Lower the Cocoon over the seedling gently and push down the wicks beside the seedling roots.



### Temporarily place the lid on the Cocoon to prevent soil getting in the reservoir.



**7** Add extra soil in the center, packing down firmly to fill up the space between the Cocoon edge and the seedling roots. Make sure you can still see where the seedling trunk meets the roots (the root collar)!



**8** Remove the lid and fill the Cocoon to the rim with water.



**9** Place the lid on the reservoir, tightly closing the Cocoon all the way around.



**10** Water the seedling in the center with about one liter of water.



**11** Pack soil around the Cocoon for a snug fit and cover the top with about 3cm of soil. Place the tree shelter over the seedling and make sure it is firmly anchored.



**12** Be careful not to step on the Cocoon! Mark the Cocoon area with stones or string to help prevent damage.

## CONGRATULATIONS!

You have planted a Cocoon tree that needs no follow up irrigation!