

In early spring as soon as the ground can be worked, dig a hole at least twice the diameter of the tree's rootball. Make sure the hole is centered on the trellis and slightly in front of cross wires that will support the branches. Mix ample amounts of sphagnum peat moss with the removed soil. Then plant the tree, making sure it is planted no deeper than it grew at the nursery. If the previous soil level is difficult to determine, set a dwarf tree in so that the graft union (visible as a distinct bulge in lower part of trunk) is about two inches above the soil surface. Cover roots with soil, tamp firmly to remove air bubbles, and moisten thoroughly.