

# Proper Planting of an Avocado Tree

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Dig the hole the same depth as the root ball, measure with a shovel handle





Set the tree in the hole, supporting the bottom of the root ball with the hand





Slit the plastic liner with a knife, make a  
shallow cut





Partially fill the hole with soil, do not use  
mulch or manures





# Don't forget to remove the plastic liner!





Backfill most of the hole and tamp to  
remove air pockets





The backfill is finished with a final tamping  
with your feet





In root rot soil, gypsum is added to the surface at 10-20 lbs per tree





The planting is finished with a top-dressing  
of wood chips or bark

