



CARING FOR YOUR TREE

Living Trees

INDOOR CARE

Select a well-lighted location away from fire places, ceiling vents and other heat sources. Put a double hand full of ice on top of the container each morning (and evening if necessary) and protect your floor from water runoff. It can also be misted with water using a plastic spray bottle. More ice can be added if the tree begins to look dry.

OUTDOOR CARE

The Leyland Cypress Christmas tree will grow in a wide variety of soils and does well in a pH range of 5.5 to 8.5. However, the soil must be well drained. If it is planted in soil that stays wet, it will not survive. Plant in full to partial sun. It can reach heights of 20 to 25 feet. Dig a hole twice as wide, but no deeper than the tree's container. Mix the dirt from the hole half and half with pine bark or other mulch. Remove the container and place the root ball in the hole. The tree should be the same depth in the ground as it was in the pot. Rough up sides of the root ball to slightly loosen the roots. Put the dirt/mulch mix back in the hole and tamp carefully to eliminate air pockets. Use excess dirt to build a small dam around the hole so the water applied to the tree won't runoff. Water thoroughly.

FERTILIZER

Apply your favorite fertilizer beginning when the tree shows new growth. Follow directions on the fertilizer container regarding application rates and frequency. Water thoroughly.

WATERING

Water the tree once or twice a week depending on rainfall and temperature. In hot, dry periods, the tree will require more water and a soaker hose is recommended.

Enjoy!