



# EUCALEUCA NATIVE SERVICES

Tube stock nursery for all South East conditions

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## GUIDE TO SUCCESSFUL PLANTING

- Make sure that the level of the dirt in the pot is at ground level when the plant is in the ground, even if you have to put some dirt in the bottom of the hole first.
- If the plant is leaning to one side, point it facing into the wind or the direction that most of the rough weather comes from.
- DO NOT cover any of the bottom leaves or branches with dirt, (especially important for *Allocasuarina verticillata*, *Allocasuarina paludosa* and *Casuarina obesa*).
- If plants have any lateral branches at the bottom (branches that lie on the ground) this is how they grow naturally. DO NOT prop them up or stake them in any way.
- When putting the plants in the holes, make sure they are packed firmly with dirt so there are no air pockets around the roots.
- TREE GUARDS (CORE FLUTE) – If guards are left too long plants may fall over when guards are removed. DO NOT STAKE plants will stand up in time.
- SNAIL BAIT – Sprinkle in and around tree guards as required. Multi-guard is recommended as it is less toxic to dogs and cats.
- WATERING – Only water if plants are under stress i.e. tips drooping.
- SEASOL PLANTING GEL - Seasol is a good additive when planting at extra cost – Hamilton Tree Planter can be used with this product and it is less work than using Terracottem (soil conditioner).
- MULCH – Very good for retaining moisture, place old straw/carpet/plastic/newspapers/pea straw etc (but not fresh lawn clippings or tree mulch - it must be aged). Place around outside of guard, NOT up against the plants.
- TREE GUARDS – When installing tree guards face the apex of triangle towards the weather. Remove tree guards when plants are about 20-30cm above the tops of tree guards.
- SPRAYING – If everything is going well it would pay to spray area again prior to guards coming off. Use **non-residual** sprays – any of the glyphosate chemicals should be sufficient.