



## **Watering Tips**

### **When to Water:**

- No fixed schedule - depends on soil, weather, and tree size
- Check top 2" of soil with a digging tool during dry periods
- Water when soil is dry, aiming for moist (not soggy) conditions

### **How Much Water:**

- Newly planted trees need about an inch of water per week. Water bags make it easy.
- Established trees (2+ growing seasons) need 10 gallons per inch of trunk diameter

### **Best Watering Methods:**

- Use slow, deep watering with drip hoses to minimize evaporation and promote deep roots
- Water from trunk to canopy edge to reach the critical root zone
- Avoid daily heavy watering or infrequent light watering (stresses tree)

### **Additional Tips:**

- Watering bags work well for new trees, dispensing 20 gallons over 7-10 days
- Apply 2-3" of mulch to retain moisture (keep away from trunk)
- Proper watering helps trees thrive and provide beauty for years