Planting Tips

Midsummer planting of Cornus (Dogwood), Potentilla, and Spiraea may result in wilting due to inadequate moisture in the pot. To avoid this damage, water thoroughly in the pot and in the landscape after planting. Also, trim the tips of the plants removing 2-4 inches of the newest luscious growth.

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Cornus alba 'Bailhalo', Ivory Halo Dogwood



The Spriaea bumalda and Spriaea japonica species are kept neat, compact, and tidy in the landscape by trimming hard, or all the way to the ground each spring. Most plants that flower on new wood perform well when trimmed similarly.

More trees are planted too deep than too shallow. Avoid placing the container plug/root ball on disturbed soil that might allow the plant to settle from its original planting depth.

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