

HOUSING DEVELOPMENT
SOUTH WORPLE WAY, EAST SHEEN, LONDON

PLANTING SPECIFICATION

Sweet Heart Cherry

- Cherry Trees - Morello, Lapins, Stella - Roots Plants
- Max height 4m
- Self fertile
- A very hardy tree

Water in thoroughly when planting. For bare root trees, you won't need to water regularly going forward, only water in dry spells when needed. You should be able to tell because the leaves will start to wilt and droop. If a container grown tree, it will need more watering until its roots are established. It should be watered every other day or so for the first few months. Then reduce to twice a week until autumn. In the second year it should have a established enough root system to support itself, just water when required as explained above for bare roots. When watering a tree, it is important to give a good soaking. It is better to water heavy and less frequently than little and often as this encourages the roots to grow down into the ground

Some pruning should be done each winter to ensure that your cherry tree maintains a productive shape. This can improve yields and prevent disease.

Box hedging in front of flats and detached house

- Buxus Sempervirens

Care Information

Planting Advice for your Box plants:

- Plant box in autumn or spring in fertile, well-drained soil and keep it watered, especially if grown in full sun.
- Pot-grown plants can be planted any time of year as long as the ground is not wet or waterlogged.
- Box will tolerate shade so is great for growing underneath trees and makes superb border edging.
- Suitable for growing in a wide range of containers, why not try your hand at a range of topiary styles and shapes - it's great as a way to get kids involved with gardening and isn't just reserved for grand estates.

Aftercare Advice for Buxus:

- Besides keeping plants well-watered, box appreciates a light top dressing with a slow release, general purpose fertiliser such as fish blood & bone in early spring, taking care to avoid the leaves.

Pruning Advice for Box:

- Pruning box is simple. Box is best clipped in July and August - any earlier and you risk damage from late frosts which can damage soft new growth while any later means that

the new shoots are not hardened sufficiently for the following winter.

- Old, scruffy plants can be clipped to 15-30cm of the ground (6-12in) to rejuvenate them.
- The small leaf size of Buxus means that you can achieve a whole range of topiary shapes and styles with the minimum of experience - box is remarkably resilient.

Hedges to boundary with Network Rail

- Wild Privet – Ligustrum Vulgaris

Care Information Planting Advice:

- Grow Wild Privet in well-drained soil in any sunny or partially shaded site (will also grow in full shade).
- Dig a planting hole 3 x wider than the roots of the shrub you're planting and mix some well-rotted compost or manure with the soil from the hole and use this to re-fill once the shrub is in place.
- We've found that a square hole is better than a round one as the new roots, once they reach the edges tend to grow in a circle round the circumference of the hole whereas when they reach the corners of a square hole, they find it easier to grow through.
- Before planting soak container-grown shrubs thoroughly and allow to drain.
- Remove the plant from its pot and tease out a few of the roots.
- Add Mycorrhizal fungi to the roots when planting to help plants establish quicker.
- Place your shrub in the hole at the same level as the pot and refill the hole with the earth removed (backfilling).
- Firm in the soil with your heel, avoiding the root ball and water well.
- Mulch around the base of the plant with a collar, compost, gravel, bark etc.

Aftercare advice:

- Keep plants well-watered while they establish.
- Hardy to -15°C, protect from cold winds as it is these that tend to cause the most damage to young plants.

Pruning Advice:

- Hedges may be trimmed in spring or autumn to keep them tidy and shaped, if pruning at the end of the season (when growth has finished), do it before the onset of very cold weather.

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