

MYTH

YOU SHOULDN'T DISTURB THE ROOTBALL WHEN TRANSPLANTING TREES AND SHRUBS

THE FACTS

Plants with woody roots often need corrective root pruning before transplanting.

- Containerized plants are notorious for concealing fatal root flaws (i.e. girdling roots).
- **Bare rooting** container plants is a more successful transplanting technique – root flaws can be corrected, and container media removed.

In a healthy, well-watered plant, root pruning at transplant time will induce vigorous new root growth and assist in establishment.

REFERENCE – DR. LINDA CHALKER SCOTT

<https://s3.wp.wsu.edu/uploads/sites/403/2015/03/fragile-roots.pdf>

ROOT WASHING

<https://www.finegardening.com/article/root-washing-why-and-how-to-wash-roots>



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