



# Terra Bella

## Landscaping

### **New Plant Watering Instructions (For best results & best root establishment)**

**Water Daily: For 1-2 weeks**

**Water Every 2-3 days: For 3-12 weeks**

**Weekly until established**

**\*Be aware of heat waves and long stretches of high heat/drought (summer months). Water no matter how old or established plants are.**

#### **TIPS:**

**Water deeply at the root / base of plant. (Leaves and foliage do not need water)**

Getting water deep into the soil around your new plant will help with healthy root growth. This is most important with trees and shrubs. Surface watering will promote shallow root growth which will result in a weaker root development.

#### **Water Only as Much as Your Plant Needs**

As a rule of thumb, soil should ideally be moist. This is different from soggy, which you can judge by feel. You can check soil moisture by using a garden trowel and inserting it into the ground to a depth of 2", and then move the blade of the trowel back and forth to create a small narrow trench. Then use your finger to touch the soil. If it is moist to the touch, then they do not need water.

#### **Signs that your plants/trees are not getting enough water:**

- wilting leaves
- browning leaves
- curling or crisping of leaves

#### **Do Not Overwater**

Not enough water can kill a plant, but too much water can kill one too! Over-watering is a common mistake. Watch for yellowing leaves – a sign of too much water.

#### **Watering Trees after the First Two Years:**

After your tree has been established in your yard for two years the roots will be established. This will allow your tree to withstand a wider range of water conditions including on its own because it has a proper root structure.