1. Prepare a hole that's 3 in. deeper than the roots

2. Carefully remove the seedling from its pot and loosen roots if rootbound

3. Nestle the seedling into the hole and backfill, compressing as you go

4. Build a raised berm to help water flow towards the seedling

5. Add mulch around the seedling to help with water retention

6. Water your new tree to help it acclimate to its new home

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