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Adding Color to Your Life

Cut Christmas Trees

Cut trees are a wonderful tradition that will bring Christmas home for you. Your cut tree will stay green and fresh longer if you follow these guidelines:

- CARE:
1. If a fresh cut was made for you at the Nursery, place the tree in water as soon as possible.
 2. If it will be more than an hour before you can place your freshly cut tree in water, make another cut when you are able to place it in water. Cut at least ¼ to ½ inch off of the trunk. This “breaks” the self-protective seal the tree has developed and allows it to take up water.
 3. Once you have placed the tree in water, do not allow it to dry out. The tree should take up water rapidly for the first 24 to 72 hours. If it is not taking up water, consider making another cut. Or, if your tree is already decorated, score the base of the trunk with a sharp knife.
 4. If you are not able to bring your tree indoors immediately, store in a cool garage or out of wind and weather on the north side of your house where it will not receive direct sunlight. Spray the needles with water, particularly in dry weather.
 5. When you remove the tree from your home, remember there are several organizations that recycle Christmas trees.

Happy Holidays from the staff at Landon's Greenhouse & Nursery!