

TREE PRO - Miracle Tube INSTALLATION GUIDE

After planting the tree in accordance with proper planting directions, pound or press the stake into the ground at a distance from the tree roughly equal to one-half the diameter of the protector. The stake should be on the side of the protector toward the prevailing wind. The top of the stake should be several inches higher than the top lock tie that secures the protector to the stake.

1. Miracle Tubes come nested with lock ties already in place. Their diameters range from about 3 1/4 to about 4 1/2 inches. Choose the smaller diameter tubes for smaller trees and the larger diameter tubes for larger trees.

2. Carefully slide the protector down over the top of the tree and the lock ties down over the stake with the perforated end of the tube at the top and the solid portion of the tube at the bottom. **PLEASE NOTE:** If the trees have branches, carefully gather them together with their tips facing up before lowering the protector.

3. Make sure the bottom of the protector is in good contact with the ground. **PLEASE NOTE:** Proper protector installation does not require the protector to be pressed down into the ground because doing so can sometimes cause rodent problems. Mice, voles and other animals often build nests inside protectors that are too firmly planted in the ground.

FINAL INSPECTION

Before installing the bird net, look down inside the protector to make sure the tree's terminal bud is pointing straight up.

BIRD NETS

Nets are provided for 48", 60" and 72" protectors only. They are usually not necessary for smaller sizes. Installing protectors without bird nets is hazardous to bluebirds and other insect-eating birds. Installation is fast, simple and the responsible thing to do. Simply slide a portion of the net over the top of the protector; the top portion will close on itself. Without bird nets, birds trapped inside protectors will not only die, they can also destroy the tree as they try to escape. Please inspect your trees periodically to make sure the net is in place. **The mesh should be removed as the tree emerges from the protector; otherwise, the tree tip can get tangled in the netting and possibly deform the stem of the tree.**



View a Miracle Tube installation video at: <https://youtu.be/CoS0xhavCfY> or scan the code.

