How To Plant Encore Azaleas

Turn the soil well and dig a hole twice as wide as it is deep.



2 Mix some organic material with some soil. Put a little bit of this mixture into the hole.



3 Remove the azalea from its container and loosen the root ball lightly with your fingers.



 Set the plant into your prepared hole, making sure the top of the root ball is slightly above the soil level. Make sure the root ball is moist.



Full the soil around the plant, water thoroughly and cover with mulch.



- Encore Azaleas perform best in sun to high filtered shade. Four to six hours of sun or filtered shade per day will help guarantee optimal blooms.
- Dry, windy conditions and severe drought can impact performance, but once established, Encore Azaleas are tolerant of more intense stresses.
- **Best in USDA Zones 6-9.** For zones 5-6, introduce in a sheltered location during spring.

Tips:

- Encore Azaleas will suffer or die if planted too deeply. Plant them so that the top of the root ball is even with or slightly above the existing soil level.
- **Spring planting** requires watering well. Keep soil moist until winter.
- Newly planted azaleas require routine watering the first year, but once established, do not require frequent watering. Cover young azaleas in extreme conditions. Do not fertilize until after the last frost.
- Remember to water in times of drought.
- **Prune** the Encore Azaleas immediately after spring flowering.



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