

# HOW TO PLANT AND CARE FOR A RHODIE

## (1) BEGIN BY:

CHOOSING EITHER  
A RHODODENDRON

OR

A LOCATION

## (2) DETERMINE:

WHAT IS IT'S  
PREFERRED EXPOSURE?

OR

WHAT VARIETIES WILL  
GROW IN THIS EXPOSURE?  
HOW MUCH WINTER SUN?

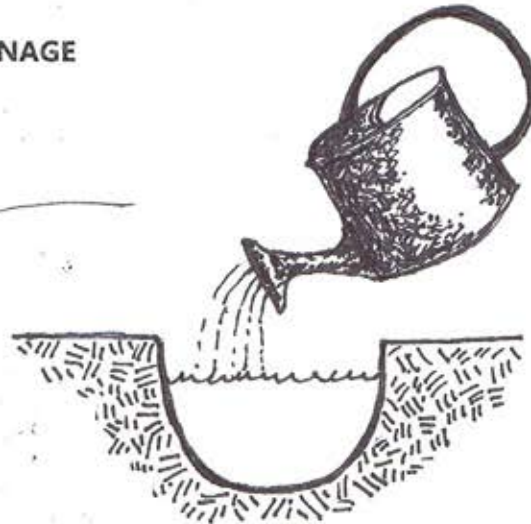
## (3) MATCH THEM UP!

LOCATE AN OPTIMUM SITE

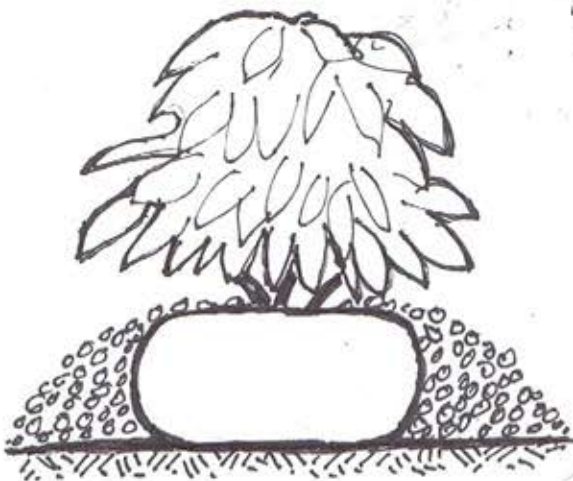
OR

FIND THE PERFECT  
VARIETY FOR THE SPOT!

## (4) TEST THE DRAINAGE



(5A) IF IT DOESN'T DRAIN  
IN A FEW MINUTES



SET PLANT ON TOP OF THE BARE SOIL  
AND FILL IN AROUND IT WITH PINE BARK.  
TAKE CARE NOT TO BURY THE TRUNK  
TOP DRESS WITH 2" OF BARK ANNUALLY.

(5B) IF IT DRAINS WELL  
WE'RE ALL SET  
TO PLANT!



DIG A HOLE TWICE THE  
WIDTH OF THE ROOTBALL.  
MIX THE SOIL WITH PINE BARK.  
DO NOT PLANT THE PLANT  
ANY DEEPER THAN IT WAS  
GROWN ORIGINALLY.  
MULCH. WATER DEEPLY  
1-2 TIMES PER WEEK



REMEMBER!!!  
RHODIES NEED:  
MOIST, WELL DRAINED  
ACIDIC SOIL WITH A  
HIGH ORGANIC MATTER

## (6)

### YEARLY

### MAINTENANCE

\*FERTILIZE W/AN ACID FERTILIZER EVERY SPRING  
(USE LOWEST REC. RATE)

\*DEADHEAD THE SPENT FLOWERS

\*REMULCH WHEN NECESSARY (KEEP IT 2-4")