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# The Live Tree Care Guide

Buying a living Christmas tree is a popular choice for green consumers, but each tree is unique and requires special care. RCBC's here to provide you with some tips!



## 01 | PICKING THE RIGHT TREE



Go Native - Pick a tree adapted to local conditions.



Be Gentle - Trees are living things! Burlapped trees should be picked up by their root balls or rolled along the ground, never by their stems.



## 02 | TREE TENDING TIPS



Condition - Leave it upright in an unheated garage for a few days.



Pick The Right Spot - Place inside in a cool location away from direct sunlight or heat sources like stoves, fireplaces, and vents.



Water Sparingly - Living trees don't need as much water as cut ones, but the roots and soil should be kept moist. Place the tree inside a bucket or a large pan to prevent water staining.



## 03 | CONSIDER TREE RENTALS



Want to a live tree but don't have a green thumb? Consider a Christmas tree rental - a service that's growing in popularity.



Some companies such as Evergrow Christmas Tree Co. will drop off an evergreen at your door and pick it once the holidays are over.



They even offer contactless delivery! No fuss, no muss. Talk about convenient!



Link: [www.evergrowchristmastrees.ca](http://www.evergrowchristmastrees.ca)



These tips will ensure that your tree survives the holiday season to be planted in the yard, or donated to a plant-a-tree organization to live on for years to come!



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Want info on tree rental companies?

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