



**What to do when your cuttings arrive.**

- 1) Unpack as soon as you receive the shipment. Contents can be refrigerated for short periods after unpacking.
- 2) When you are ready, place up right cuttings in water bath to half of their depth. (Angle cut goes down)Place all angle cut ends in the water.
- 3) Soak for at least 8-12 hours before planting in the ground or soil medium.

**Planting into containers using soil or soil-less grow mediums.**

- 4) Many growers like to use a root stimulant powder or solution prior to planting. It seems helpful; however we have had good results with no rooting aids.
- 5) The best choice is to start early in a greenhouse if you have one.
- 6) An alternative that is helpful when starting directly in containers with soil is to place a plastic bag over the pot to keep the cuttings from drying out. This helps keep the humidity higher and simulates a greenhouse like condition.
- 7) When weather is mild and past freezing, the plants can be placed in the ground.

**You can also get elderberry cuttings to start easily in water.**



- 1) Place cuttings in water with the angled end down. Using a glass jar will allow you to observe root growth.
- 2) When the cuttings have roots, they can be planted in soil.
- 3) Place container with cuttings under a light or on a sunny window sill.
- 4) Once cuttings have several roots and the weather is mild and past freezing, the plants can be placed in the ground.