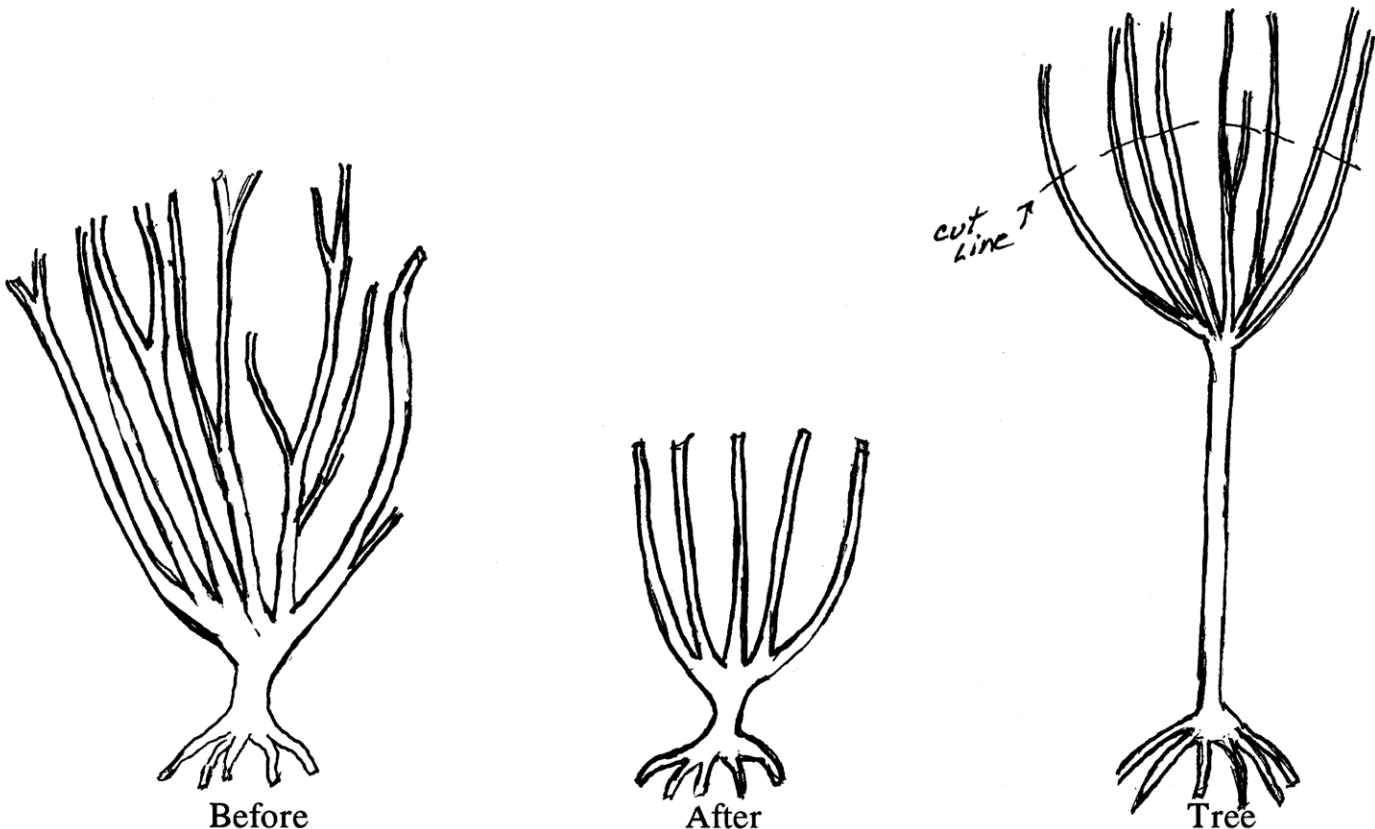


CARE OF SMOKE TREES

Like most drought tolerant plants, Smoke Trees have very coarse roots without many fibers. The roots search both wide and deep for moisture. Therefore when the trees are dug, as much as 60% of the roots can be cut off. When this happens, the top of the plant must be balanced with the roots by pruning.

EXAMPLE

Prune back about 20% of the top growth (8' plants to 6', 3' to 2 1/2', etc) Remove excessive branches. This means all small wood and remove 20% of extra big limbs. Leave in balance.



When canning water sensitive trees such as Smoke Tree, use 60% non-Toxic organic, 20% good soil or coarse river (cement) sand and 20% #2 or #3 perlite.

Water thoroughly soon after canning and again 48 hours later. The second watering is to eliminate air pockets. Do not water again until the tree is in leaf, even if 3 months later. If this practice is followed, all losses should be eliminated.

