

MIXED SHRUBS

To be supplied and planted in accordance with the National Plant Specification and HTA recommendations.

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All hedgerow planting should be carried out in accordance with BS4428:1989, Code of practice for general landscape operations. Hedgerow shrubs should either be notch planted or trench planted. Hedge trenches should be dug to a minimum depth of 400mm and width of 600mm, with the plants put into the ground at the same depth at which they had been previously grown in the nursery. All plants need to be well heeled in after planting and watered in during dry weather. If hedging plant is supplied as a bare root specimen, it is important to make sure the roots do not dry out. It is advisable to keep them under a moist cloth or in a bucket of water during planting. Hedges should only be planted between November and March, while plants are still dormant. Avoid planting in very cold or wet weather.

Where hedgerow trees are to be included, these should be spaced at least 30m apart to prevent them overshadowing the hedge. To establish trees, they can be planted in the line of the new hedge along with the hedge plants, but use tree shelters to allow their identification during maintenance.

PLANTING SPECIFICATION

Hedge to be planted in two, staggered rows at a density of not less approximately 450mm between plants in the same row, and 300-40 transplants should be planted within this pattern in groups of 2-3. than 5 hedge plants per meter, with 00mm between rows. The interplant whips /

PROTECTION

New hedge to be protected from wild grazing animals. Where double fence applicable, the fences must be a minimum width of 2 meters apart. Erect fence using treated wooden posts with galvanised stock netting and wire, to a height of 1.4m.Protect hedgerow from rodent damage with spiral tree guards or rabbit netting, which can be removed once the plants are well established (approx 3-5 years).

WEED CONTROL
Clear area of 1 metre across line of hedge of all vegetation in line with the new hedge. Provide a Mulch layer of composted bark or chippings over cleared area in order to suppress weed growth, mulch layer must be at least 100mm deep.

HEDGE TRIMMING Hedges to be trimmed in January or February to avoid the destruction of bird's nests, and allow any berry crop to be used by wintering birds. Trim on a two or three year rotation, rather than annually.

Proposed Native Species - Rich Hedgerow to consist of a mixture of the following species to provide a good balance between cover and food for wildlife: Hawthorn; Blackthorn; Hazel; Dogwood; Spindle; Holly; Juniper; Guelder Rose; Wild Cherry; Bird Cherry; Crab Apple; & Field Maple.

Planting and management aftercare strategy as follows:A 2m strip will be cleared of vegetation and large stones before dig ging in an organic fertilizer;

60 – 90cm whips will be planted in the autumn/winter, when the groapproximately 50cm between rows and five plants per linear metre; ound is now in a staggered double row

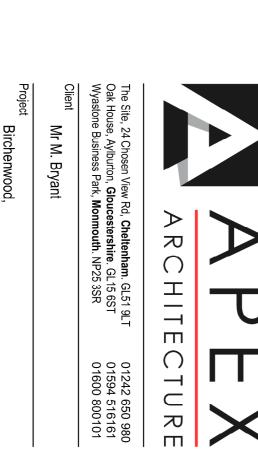
Whips will be provided with a heavy mulch and will be well-<u>`</u>.

Whips will be protected by spiral Rabbit guards;

If any plants die within five years of planting, they will be replaced on a like-for-like basis;

The area will be fed annually with supplementary watering applied during the first two years, if required; and

The hedge will be cut back by hand, maintaining a height of 2m, ev ery two years in January or February.



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