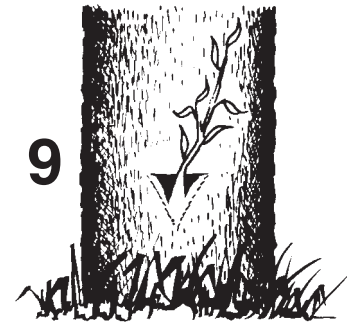




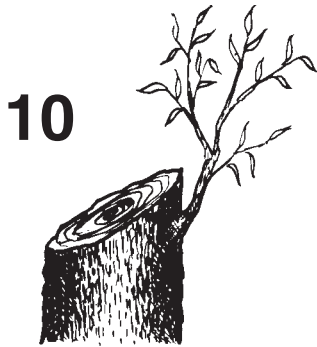
7. Wrapping the Bud – Secure the bud to the stock by wrapping with 1/8 inch rubber budding strips or poly budding tape. Make at least two wraps below the bud and two above. The band maintains constant pressure, but expands with the growth of the tree.



8. Forcing June Buds – when June budding, to force the bud, break the top over about one-half the distance from the ground to the top of the seedling, leaving it attached to shade the row of seedlings trees. When budding is performed during late August or early September, the buds should callus well during the remainder of the growing season and be forced into growth the following spring by removing the top if the new bud appears alive.



9. New Growth Starts – Shows the new growth from the inserted bud.



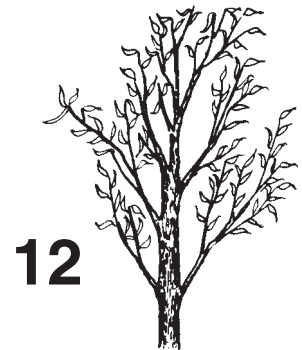
10. REMOVE THE TOP

When the forced bud starts to grow, remove the top of the seedling just above the new shoot.



11. REMOVE NEW GROWTH

Keep the new growth removed from the base of the seedling below the bud. Some of the shoots on the new top growth may be removed near the base to force more length of growth into the new tree. In June budding, the old top should be removed as soon as the bud starts to grow. Keep the surplus growth removed in order to produce a larger tree during the growing season.



12. THE TREE IS READY

The converted tree, the new variety, after a season's growth. The tree is ready for transplanting to its permanent location.