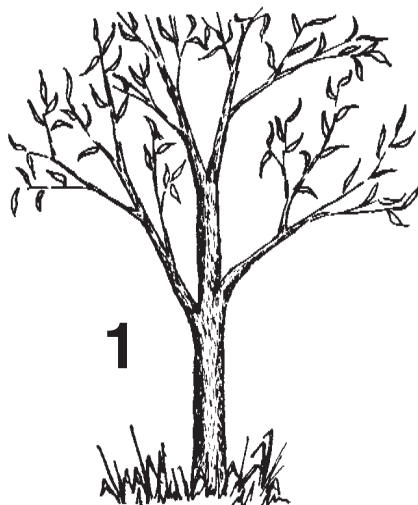
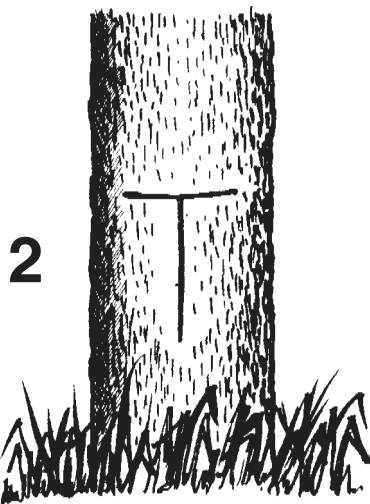


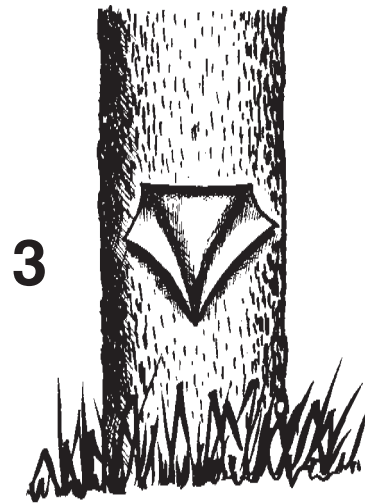
T Bud Method



1. Preparing Stock – A young seedling as large or larger in diameter as a pencil is preferable. Remove all the growth on the lower 6-10 inches of the tree.



2. Making First Cut – The first cut is made lengthwise of the stem near the ground line, preferably on the north side of the stock. Next, make the cross cut by a rolling movement of the knife, which lifts the corners of the bark where the two cuts cross each other.



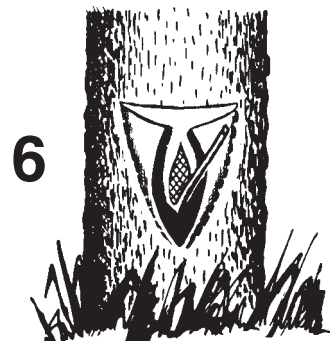
3. Open the Flaps – The same area with the flaps opened out to receive the bud.



4. Cutting the Bud – Remove the bud from the stick by making the cut upward just underneath the bud. This cut should be from $\frac{3}{4}$ to 1 inch in length, extending below and above the bud.



5. Remove the Bud – Remove the bud from the bud stick by making a cut across the top through the bark and peel the bark and bud from the stick, leaving the wood attached to the stock. The bud may be held on the blade of the knife with the thumb on the leaf stub while it is being inserted in the stock.



6. Insert Under Bark – Insert the bud in the flaps under the bark and push it down until it is firmly in place. If a part of the tissue extends above the top of the "T" cut, it should be removed.