

# Looking after your Olive tree



Olive trees are easy to look after and will bear a few olives for you. They are evergreen and will withstand cold once established.

- 1) Olive trees are not houseplants although they can be brought into the house for short periods
- 2) Stand your tree on the patio in a sunny spot.
- 3) Water frequently during the summer (note: a thorough watering once a week is better than frequent sprinkling). Feed with a liquid feed at each watering.
- 4) Re-pot in spring to the next size pot using John Innes Compost or use as a centrepiece in a larger tub.
- 5) In winter protect from freezing by wrapping the pot (not the plant) or take into a cold greenhouse. Water occasionally in mild spells.
- 6) Prune in spring to maintain shape.
- 7) Enjoy!

