

Planting Peach Trees

Peach trees are self pollinating and do not require another peach tree variety for fruiting. Peach trees need full sunlight and should not be shaded by any surrounding buildings or trees. Select a site with a high elevation so the cold air will not settle around the tree on frosty nights during its blooming period. They prefer well drained sandy loam type soil. Their root stocks do not tolerate soils where water remains on or near the surface for more than one hour after a heavy rain. Keep the bud union at least one inch above the soil. Planting a peach tree too deep in the soil will cause poor growth or death.

Due to the additional information that the grower needs to know, I have limited instructions and am recommending the site below which gives detailed information on planting, fertilizing, and pruning peach trees from the North Carolina State University Extension site.

<http://www.ces.ncsu.edu/depts/hort/hil/ag30.html>