Citrus Planting

Season of Planting

The ideal time for planting the grafts is during June - July just after the first monsoon showers.

Spacing

Spacing adopted for planting citrus varies depending on variety and agroclimatic conditions. However in general the following spacing are adopted.

Citrus	Spacing (m)
Sweet orange (Mosambi)	6 x 6
Orange (Coorg and Nagpur mandarin)	6 x 6
Lime and Lemon	5 x 5

Method of Planting

The grafts are planted by making a small hole in the centre of the pit sufficient to accommodate the soil ball. Care should be taken to keep the bud union at least 15 cm above the ground level. The soil around the plant is pressed gently. Planting should be immediately followed by irrigation. In case of high wind velocity the plants are tied to the stake.