## CAMELLIA MAINTENANCE PROGRAM AND CULTURAL NOTES

## Planting your Camellia

Before planting soak plant before removing from container. Camellias grow well in slightly acid, well drained soil, and are suitable for sunny or semi shaded position.

**Planting out.** The hole for planting should be twice the width of the root ball and 8-10cm. deeper. Tease roots before planting place in hole make sure the top of root ball is level with the garden fill in and water well. Do not fertilize until spring.

## Fertilizing:

Mix: 5 kgs Azalea & Camellia food or banana

with 1 kg Osmocote or Nutracote (8 to 9 month slow release)

Apply: September / October

Application 6 - 8 handfuls to large Camellias

1 - 2 small handfuls for small Camellias water in well and keep it up as required. Do not

overfeed.

NOTE: Do not apply to Azaleas

Top Dress: Camellias (if needed) in January

Use only Azalea & Camellia food or banana special

(Fertilizers)

Spraying: Scales: 1 Annual spray with white oil & Malathion

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Spray in Spring & Summer

Spray containing <u>Dicotol</u> (<u>Kelthane</u>) Apply two (2) sprays <u>10 days</u> apart

<u>Watering</u>: The basic needs in Camellia care, watering is most important in winter. Once a week when needed, and 2 to 3 times a week in summer.

We can also offer you professional service on all aspects in the care and maintenance of your Camellias and Azaleas.

## \*Advice

To discuss your special needs please phone Craig or Daphne Carroll. For expertise care

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