

## Avocado growing tips

### BEST SAMPLING TIMES/STAGES

#### Soil sampling.

- » Before planting and vegetative growth for growing trees.

#### Leaf Analysis

- » During fruit development



### Soil Type And Ph

Avocados do well in reddish-brown, red and brown soils with a pH between 5 and 7.

#### Sampling depth

Get your top soil (0cm-30cm) analysed by a reputable laboratory before planting.

You should get good advice on liming, rock phosphate and manure requirement. It is cheaper and more effective to work these amendments into the soil before you plant.

Avocados hate wet feet and quickly develop root rot in poorly drained soils. Dig a 1.5m deep inspection pit and look for any compaction layers if found deep ripping will be required (or dig deep planting holes for small scale farming).

#### Feeding

Provided you have added the correct amendments at planting, you should not need any more fertilizers for the first year. There-after fertiliser requirements depend on soil nutrient levels, crop size and target yields

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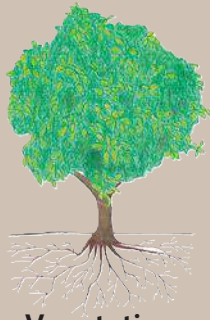


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## Growth stages



Young  
Tree



Vegetative  
growth



Flush  
Flower bloom



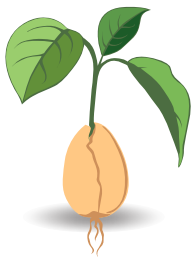
Fruiting



Harvesting



Provide plant  
with **soil** applied  
**Nitrogen,**  
**Phosphorus,**  
**Potassium** and  
**Zinc fertilizers.**



Provide plant  
with **foliar**  
**N, P, K** and  
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