

Establish industry-wide standards for good nursery practices, including cutting quality standards

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Nursery

A plant nursery is a specialized facility where plants are propagated, nurtured, and grown from seeds or cuttings until they reach a healthy, marketable size:

- **Strong root systems, with sun-adapted foliage.** Strong rooting systems must be developed in the nursery to ensure plants have a good start to a future productive life.
- **Balanced growth ratio** between the shoot and root system.
- **Good carbohydrate reserves** to ensure nursery plants have sufficient energy reserves for growth after planting out.



Industry need?

- Currently no standards
- Industry want to improve quality of propagation material
- Nursery determine orchard success
- End goal: accredited nurseries



How?

- Compile guidelines
- Standards for Good Nursery Management Practices for Optimal Propagation of woody Cape Flora products



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Thank you!

**Standards for Good Nursery Management Practices for Optimal
Propagation of woody Cape Flora products**

Short title: Good nursery practices for woody Cape flora

