

so today I was going to talk about propagating the um the it's a conifer Green Giant arbid uh some people say thja some say thya and they're very popular I'm not sure if you're all familiar but we do we have a little handout they became very very popular in the last I don't know five or so years um as a privacy screening tree um they're fast throwers come on in we have a couple seats there there's a seat with these

ladies so um before I get started I wanted to just show a quick three minute video um because a lot of people when I that aren't as familiar when I talk about propagating or growing a tree they think it's a lifetime like oh my goodness you know I I can't start that my yard that's not the with fowers um I'm sure many of you heard you know first they sleep then they creep and then they leap and it's so true so true um you know the first year they might only just put on a few inches and then next year they get a little more and then the third year all of a sudden you're like what happened it's you know it's they're huge but um I'll put on this video hopefully you can see it and hear it um I'm happy to refer to it but I I found it very interesting cuz this young lady in particular she started them at 14 in and every year she did a measurement and now she's in her sixth year and I just thought it was really nice to see that

progress yeah I don't have a big movie screen mean but

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[Music] stunners hi guys it's e and welcome to DCR it's officially October which means it's time for the six-year update of my privacy screen and looking back at pictures 6 years ago when I planted these trees as little babies I really cannot believe how much they have grown if you are new to my channel welcome I give update every months on theow of my giant that in the of 2018 if you are interested on watching all their progress as well as how I water them with drip irrigation I'll have all the related videos linked Down Below in the description box just to give you a quick recap the trees were planted 6 years ago in October of 2018 at only 14 in tall at their first year mark they only put on 6 in which is expected from such small baby trees while they focus on their root development after 2 years they started

picking up the pace and measured in at 54 in or 4 1/2 ft at their third year mark they reach 80 in or 6' 8 in and officially top me I'm 510 for reference after 4 years the trees jumped to 110 in or 9' 3 in tall last October at their fifth year mark the trees measured in at 150 in or 12 1/2 ft I can really tell a big difference in these trees from last year they look both taller and wider I have some trees that are shorter and some that are taller but this is the same tree I use for all my updates and it is the average size this tree is measuring in right at 175 in tall or 14 in tall that is a total of 25 in growth since last year and a total of 132 ft since I planted them 6 years ago with wise this tree is sitting in at 90 in or 72 ft wide so if you go out and plant baby sticks of green Giants today this is what you can expect in 6 years amazing growth these trees are planted 10 ft apart on Center in a single row I'm down at the lower part of my property where these trees are also spaced 10 ft apart on Center but into sagger two rows overall I'm so happy with the growth and performance of these trees not to mention how beautiful they are and I cannot wait to see how much growth they put on this next year be sure to subscribe so you don't miss out any of the growth updates on my privacy screen thank you guys so much for falling along with my journey and I will catch you on the next one bye guys

so just thought it would be interesting to show some that may not know you know that's a pretty big growth R so um any questions before we get started but how tall can they get so they go from 40 to 60 feet tall initially they would say you know they weren't going to get that tall but they're seeing that they're going 60 ft tall and they can go 12 to 18 ft wide beautiful beautiful and they're they stay green year round they get a little Bronze in the winter um they're deer resistant so far there's not been a big issue with pests the only thing is like bag worms but if you really you know take care of them Well they um they're good for full sun they tolerate some shade um but they do need some some sun and what um what I've noticed is as long as the first year two you baby them and get them watered get them really rooted in they weathered this uh dry season that we had this past season I was so busy here I was so worried I would lose or have some issues with them and not one of them I think I had 22 lined in my backyard um and started as babies and probably are six to seven tall now and they um their zones four through eight but they do better in like a seven Zone they don't do real well in a a warmer zone so yeah I've reading a little bit about their root system they put on any kind of tap rot at all is or is it just it I haven't seen that and they don't they're not like a crazy spreader like a you know willow tree or anything like that that I don't think that thinking more in terms of anchoring in the ground yeah with the wind there I have heard that they are more sturdy than the Cyprus because there are issues with the Cyprus Tree and the wind um but I I don't know where you know so far I was a little worried too with the last uh freeze and rain that we because I went out there and a lot of them were like

turned this way and Frozen but I was like oh please don't hurt my ch but they weathered it pretty well so what I have um in each bin is some um some dirt mixed with sand it's just a medium to help root you've got your little planter pot and what on top of there that is rooting hormone it's not really necessary um I mean I it'll help but I don't use it a whole lot but I thought I would bring it um then so I these are all for my

trees so you can make many clippings off of this actually um there's probably a good five or six clippings just off of this these right now are dormant it's winter they're hardwood winter cuttings um I I've been watching a lot and they tend to do better than the summer at first I thought you were way better off getting them in the summer but uh it appears the success is better um I myself have literally cut them put them in around my patio or in pots and just kind of watched them and they did wonderful they weathered you know as long as I didn't let them get too dry or too saturated um so I'm not sure if you want to bring your cutting home I would putting it in a Southern window where it's going to get a ton of sun until it's got some root root development just as long as it has light um I thought about bringing water but I figured you could just water them at home once you do water at home just give it a really good thorough water let it run through and um the best advice I could give is you know you got your overwaterers and your underwaterers just don't saturate it you know let it dry out a little bit and then give it some more water as long as it's not going completely dry but if it's going to sit constant moist it's going to struggle it'll get root R um you kind of want to you know it's got so the sand helps with the drainage you need a little bit of you know soil to hang on to it and then some drainage on it so um I don't know if you all want to start but I'll kind of demonstrate so what you want to do for example this could even be a great great cutting you could do bigger or small but I'm going to go ahead and uh just kind of cut right

here and then you want to take off like the bottom leaves you can just give them a good pull and when you you don't want to rip it too much but this is kind of going to wound it and help where it's going to root so just kind of give it a little pull off

and this bottom one can go so it looks about like this some will be bigger some will be smaller and then you also want you want it to focus on growing The Roots so you want to kind of give it a snip snip off the excess bled on me just kind of give it a little snip I like this chair

off so there is like perfect cutting you can maybe leave a little more on it depends on how much you know if you want to do several of these get a a bin a dish pan make sure you just put some put some holes under there if you need more room cut them smaller but just keep in mind you really want it to focus on rooting and not you know worry about the heavy leafage so um I don't know if you want to begin