



## Selecting a Christmas tree

- Select a tree that is freshly cut
- Needles should be hard to pull off of the branches
- Needles should feel soft and flexible in your hand
- The trunk should feel sticky
- At home, cut five (5) inches off of the trunk at a angle- this will allow the tree to soak up additional water and keep the tree lasting longer
- Use a sturdy tree stand with a large reservoir to hold a significant amount of water
- Replace the water daily
- Place the tree away from a heat register or a source of heat (like a fire place)
- Do Not discard your tree in the fire place after the holiday- this could possibly cause a serious fire