

## PLANT TRIMMING PART 1

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- ▶ If you find that another branch is competing with the uppermost branch so that a fork develops, you should cleanly cut away one of the branches.
- ▶ The side branches should only be trimmed in the upper crown area of the tree, the lower side branches should be left as long as possible.
- ▶ To reduce evaporation, remove some of the branches and trim the many smaller auxiliary branches.

### Tip

- ▶ When the side branches need to be trimmed back, then do this only in one-year-old branches and not with two- to three-year-old wood.
- ▶ Appropriate tools which are kept sharp help to make sure of a correct cut.

