Trunk Measurement

Trunk measurement is the size of your tree's trunk measured at 4.5 feet (1.5 meters) above the ground in inches (in) or centimeters (cm), depending on which units you have selected.

"Diameter at breast height" (dbh) is the standard measurement of tree trunk size and is taken at 4.5 feet (1.5 meters) above the ground. Trunk measurement alco can be entered as circumference size if you don't have a diameter tape measure.



Measure dbh at 4.5 ft above the ground



Carefully wrap the diameter tape around the tree trunk



Diameter tape has different scales on each side: Be sure to check the label! This side "dia. inches to 100ths" gives the diameter as inches with decimal fractions. In this case 24.6 inches



The other side of the tape is marked with inches. This is the circumference: $77^{9/16}$ (or 77.7 inches = $24.6 \times \pi$)