Pruning principles continued

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before pruning  appropriate  too much removed

before thinning  after thinning

before reduction  remove some branches to slow growth rate

after reduction

reduce or remove

keep main branches less than half the trunk diameter by removing branches from them

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before pruning

prune

subordinate upright stems

after pruning moderately
after pruning lightly

after pruning - recommended

after pruning - not recommended

develop scaffold limbs

before pruning

after pruning

prune

discourage low aggressive branches

before pruning

prune

collar present

collar absent

imaginary line

branch bark ridge

imaginary line

begin cut here

a

b

cut here

reduction cut

perpendicular line

keep this