Caring for your real Christmas tree is easy. Just remember, trees need water—just like a fresh bouquet of flowers.

Cut 1 to 2 inches off the bottom of trunk before mounting in stand.

Immediately place your tree in a water-holding tree stand.

Trees can be very thirsty, so add fresh water daily as needed.

If storing your tree outside before decorating, remember to keep it in water and protect it from the wind and sun.

Keep your tree away from fireplaces and other heat sources.

Turn off all of your tree decorations before retiring at night and any time you leave your home.

The Texas Christmas Tree Growers Association wishes you a warm and wonderful Christmas!