

**Midland** Style known as the "Midland Bullock" hedge was created for farms with large animals, such as cattle and horses. It is able to withstand the weight of these animals pushing against it. With a finished height of 4' 6", the stakes are driven into the ground 18" apart behind the stool (stem) line towards the brush (bushy) side of the hedge. Hazel binders are woven along the top to give maximum strength. The livestock would be in the field behind the brush side of the hedge with a crop on the other side ("face" or "plough" side).

## **Technical Requirements**

Pleachers laying at appropriate angle.
Cutting showing slightly to the front of the hedge line.
Hedge 'laid off' between 10-12 inches from front stems to stake line.
Very good stake line, evenly placed and straight.
Stakes cut off facing slightly outwards, matching the cuts.
Good 'flying brush' running evenly above the back of the hedge.
Binders correct for style, level and rolling correctly between stakes.
No stems used from too far out of the line.

