



Flowers

Fruit

3-5"

Height range 15-30'

# Two-Wing Silverbell

## *Halesia diptera*

### The Storax (Snowbell) Family (Styracaceae)

**Basic Description:** Delicate small tree or large shrub with branches growing from the base forming a multi-trunk with brown to reddish-brown bark. Light green, alternate deciduous leaves almost as wide as they are long, that are colorful in the fall.

**Interesting Facts:** Fragrant showy blossoms hanging down like little bells attract native pollinators. The seedpod when green is sour, but edible by people.

**Flower:** Clusters of two to six waxy, white bell-shaped flowers, 1" across, appear with new foliage in late spring.

**Fruit:** Oblong, green, flattened drupe, 1 - 2", with two wide and two narrow wings; woody, nutlike and brown when mature.

**Wildlife Value:** Flowers attract hummingbirds, bees and butterflies; and squirrels eat fruit.

**Habitat:** Moist well drained sites in the understory of larger trees.

#### LEAF TYPE

SIMPLE



#### POLLINATOR

INSECT



#### WILDLIFE VALUE

LOW

