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The leaves are 2-3 inches long, broader toward the base and coming to a gradual point. Nearly smooth, the edges are only noticeably toothed on close inspection.

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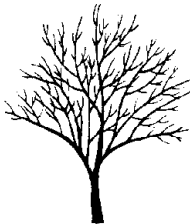
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The Snowbell is noted for its white bell-shaped flowers which bloom profusely in the early summer for a short time. When the petals drop they form a carpet of snowy white around the tree. The berry is a half-inch gray-white oval containing a single brown seed.

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A bush or small tree, the Snowbell can grow to 20 feet, spreading its branches over an equal area. The bark is smooth, brown and somewhat sinewy, often showing orange-brown patches and interlacing fissures.

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As a landscape specimen the Snowbell is prized for its showy late spring or early summer display of white blossoms. As noted by Prof. Dirr, the "leaves are perched like butterflies on the upper part of the stem so the pendulous flowers are not masked."

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