

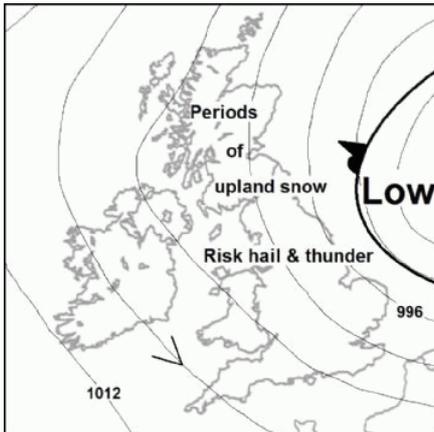
Southeastern Highlands

The southern highlands as far west as the central highlands and north to Ben Alder, Drumochter and summits near Glenshee ski-centre (summits within the historic county of Perthshire). Also Ochils and Angus hills.



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General Summary for Tuesday, 4 May, 2021



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 4 May, 2021

Very cold; widely sub-zero on higher slopes. Gales for England & Wales in morning, lessening gradually. Areas of near-constant precipitation for a few hours, snow to low elevations at times. Heavy bursts, hail & thunder. Showers becoming scattered in the Highlands.

Headline for Southeastern Highlands

Very cold for May. Hail and snow showers for a time.

Detailed Forecast for Tuesday, 4 May, 2021

How windy? (On the Munros)	Northerly 40mph after dawn; tending to ease, typically 20 to 30mph by early afternoon.
Effect of wind on you?	Sudden buffeting at times, mainly near precipitation. Significant wind chill on higher summits.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Hail and snow showers, improving Areas of snow and hail showers moving southwards, fairly widespread for a few hours into middle of day, then tending to break up from north to become well scattered. Turning to rain lower slopes. Small risk isolated thunder. Considerable fresh lying snow on many mountains. Icy higher terrain.
Cloud on the hills?	Breaking to many tops Covering higher terrain intermittently through morning, patches below 600m around showers. Will tend to lift and break, often clearing many tops into the afternoon.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	40% rising to 80% by afternoon.
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Bursts of sunshine, most widely toward central belt. Abruptly varying visibility: the air generally very clear but very poor in precipitation.
How Cold? (at 900m)	-3C, locally rising a degree or so by afternoon, but dropping quickly toward -5C from dusk. Wind chill feeling as cold as -18C in morning.
Freezing Level	600m post dawn; marginal rise through the day.

Southeastern Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Wednesday 5 May	Thursday 6 May
How windy? (On the Munros)	North or northwesterly, typically 20mph, but gusty near precipitation.	North or northwesterly 15 to 25mph.
Effect of wind on you?	Fairly small, but noticeable gusts near showers. Feeling distinctly cold for May where exposed on tops.	Remaining notably chilly where exposed on higher terrain, occasional sudden gusts around showers.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Hail and snow showers, some heavy Hail and snow showers, mainly from late morning onwards. Local heavy bursts, risk thunder.	Risk hail and snow setting in for a time Varied conditions through day - local clusters of showers may give frequent snow or hail for an hour or more, but also periods where generally dry for several hours. Chance isolated thunder.
Cloud on the hills?	Summits frequently cloud free Summits often cloud free, but patches forming 600m upwards near precipitation, may become fairly extensive on higher slopes around showers in afternoon.	Breaks away from showers Mostly confined to higher slopes, with breaks to many summits away from showers. Patches below 700m where precipitation is frequent.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	70%	70%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Bursts of sunshine, mainly morning. Frequently excellent or superb visibility but abruptly very poor in snow.	Occasional sun. The air very clear, but visibility very poor periodically in showers.
How Cold? (at 900m)	-5C, rising during the day toward -1C.	-2C, rising toward 1C by afternoon.
Freezing Level	Most terrain at least partly frozen at dawn. By early afternoon freezing level typically 700 to 800m.	Frost widely from dawn. Rising toward 1000m.

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Wednesday, 5 May, 2021**

Staying remarkably cold for early May, quite possibly into next week in Scotland, whilst some milder air is likely to move across England & Wales from the south by this weekend. Freezing levels often near 900m, and widely frosty lower areas overnight. Areas of hail and snow showers, some heavy with thunder, most widespread in the afternoons.

Another deep Atlantic low is due to move in from the southwest toward the weekend - a threat of widespread upland gales, heavy rain, and further snow some areas.

Forecast issued at 16:50 on Monday, 3 May, 2021

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