

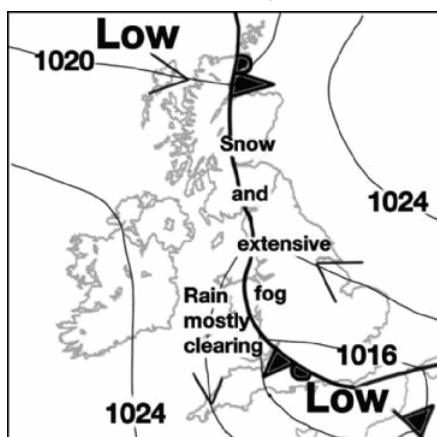
Southern Uplands

The Galloway hills eastward to the Lammermuir hills. The Cheviots (including higher hills within the adjacent Northumberland NP).



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General Summary for Thursday, 14 January, 2021



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 14 January, 2021

Extensive snow along the spine of Britain will only slowly ease or fizzle out from the north. In Wales, mostly rain confined to morning. Almost blanket fog most mountains, although a slow improvement westernmost areas. Upland wind near gale force Wales.

Headline for Southern Uplands

Snow slowly fizzling out. Extensive fog.

Detailed Forecast for Thursday, 14 January, 2021

How windy? (On the summits)	Direction may well vary, perhaps abruptly. At times 20mph, but for periods 10mph or less.
Effect of wind on you?	Negligible.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Snow slowly fizzling out Overnight precipitation will by or soon after dawn have turned to snow from valleys up. However, total precipitation small and mostly rain Galloway. Snow throughout daylight In some areas of the Borders where precipitation will ease only slowly through the day.
Cloud on the hills?	Blanket of fog covering even lowest slopes in most areas Fog in many areas from lowest slopes up much of the day, although may tend to improve as a few breaks develop to or above 700m. However, the cloud may slowly almost completely disperse from Galloway and eventually Dumfriesshire, leaving just patches on both lowest and higher slopes.
Chance of cloud free summits?	Almost nil; later 50% Galloway
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Generally little or very likely no sun and visibility extensively poor. However, sun may come through Galloway and visibility become excellent.
How Cold? (at 750m)	-1C; little fall in temperature with height. 0 or 1C Galloway.
Freezing Level	200m, but 600m or above Galloway. Generally terrain partly frozen and in places very icy indeed.

Southern Uplands - Looking Ahead

	Friday 15 January	Saturday 16 January
How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	Little wind morning. Becoming southerly 15mph, perhaps later 25mph Galloway. Negligible, but later in day may give marked wind chill western tops.	Confidence in timing of changes in this forecast are low. South veering westerly, typically 40-50mph; perhaps temporary lull. Walking often difficult where exposed and wind chill significant.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Little or no precipitation Small risk showers west of M74 afternoon..	Frequent rain Overnight rain will ease to showers, most likely by middle of day. Snow intermittently highest summits, particularly east of M74.
Cloud on the hills? Chance of cloud free summits?	Most confined to western hills Generally: Here and there patches of cloud on higher slopes, but overall the hills free of cloud - whilst ribbons of fog persist in some valleys. West of M74, the hills may well fill in with cloud above 200 to 500m, lowest near Solway. 60%	Extensive across the hills Cloud extensive across the hills, widely covering lower slopes. As winds turn westerly, so cloud base will become typically 600 to 750m, but lower near precipitation. 20%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Extensive bright sun before high level cloud progressively weakens the sun. Excellent or superb visibility - often above fog in valleys and some lower hills.	Glimpses of sun developing. Frequently hazy, and visibility poor in precipitation.
How Cold? (at 750m) Freezing Level	0C. Most terrain at least partly frozen. However, freezing level will vary: some daylight thawing in places to the highest tops.	Between 1 and 3C. Mostly above the summits, but perhaps 800m at first.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Friday, 15 January, 2021

Further bands of rain will come in off the Atlantic over the next week, turning to snow on the mountains. However, there will also be some dry days with well broken cloud. In Scotland, the Munros will remain almost persistently sub-freezing, whilst further south, temperatures on higher summits will fluctuate with side of freezing point.

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