

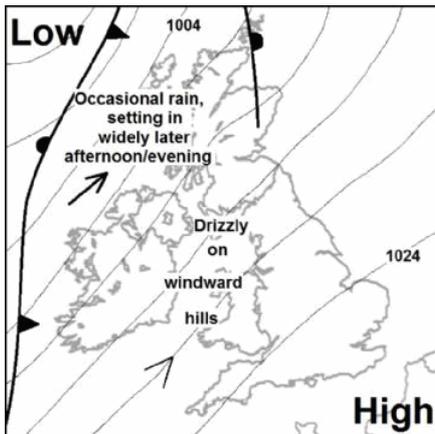
Southern Uplands

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 Saturday, 23 October, 2021



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 23 October, 2021

Increasingly very windy, gales developing on most tops, severe gales higher mountains in Scotland. Drizzly rain on most southwest facing hills, plus steadier rain setting in for western Scotland afternoon onward. Milder, above freezing up to highest summits.

Headline for Southern Uplands

Upland gales developing. Patchy drizzly rain or local showers west.

Detailed Forecast for Saturday, 23 October, 2021

How windy? (On the summits)	South to southwesterly, strengthening from 25mph early morning, to 40mph by middle of day many areas, soonest in the west.
Effect of wind on you?	Increasingly arduous conditions developing through the morning and continuing into the afternoon.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Drizzly showers in the west Often dry, but a few isolated showers are likely to affect western hills at times. Drizzle may become common near Solway Firth, perhaps later extending toward the Moffat hills. Rain sets in heavier into the night from west.
Cloud on the hills?	Clear for a time, lowering in west later. Hills likely clear for a few hours, much of the day in the east. However, increasingly banks of cloud will form across western tops, forming below 500m where drizzle occurs near Solway coasts. Lowering toward Moffat hills if patchy rain develops.
Chance of cloud free summits?	60%, dropping to 20% near Solway.
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Patches of sun, increasingly confined to eastern hills. Visibility good or very good, reducing near southern Galloway coasts.
How Cold? (at 750m)	5 or 6C. Wind chill where exposed to strongest winds on tops feels like -5C.
Freezing Level	Above the summits.

Southern Uplands - Looking Ahead

	Sunday 24 October	Monday 25 October
How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	South to southwesterly, risk 50mph for a few hours in the morning, likely to lessen to between 25-35mph. Risk of difficult conditions on higher terrain and powerful gusts to some lower slopes in the morning, easing but remaining blustery.	Southwesterly 20 to 30mph. Ease of walking impeded; considerable buffeting and wind chill on higher tops.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Heavy rain likely to clear Heavy rain from overnight likely to persist into the morning, likely to break up from the west, leaving drizzly pockets. A few pulses of showery rain may follow into the afternoon.	Scattered showers A few showers coming in from the west, most Dumfries & Galloway, perhaps becoming frequent for an hour or more locally. Fewer reaching the Borders & Cheviots.
Cloud on the hills? Chance of cloud free summits?	Extensive, gradually improving from west Blanket cloud across many hills in the morning and around rain, to lower slopes near and just inland from the Solway Firth. Cloud bases likely to rise gradually from the west through the day, breaks forming north from Beattock. 10% rising to 40%	Often above most hills Patches occasionally covering higher tops, mostly where showers occur. 70%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Overcast and dull, murky in rain. Improving to become good visibility and a little sun breaking through.	Glimpses of sun, best toward the Borders. Visibility mostly very good.
How Cold? (at 750m) Freezing Level	7C, tending to drop toward evening. Above the summits.	4 or 5C Above the summits

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Sunday, 24 October, 2021**

A front advances eastward on Sunday, followed by a cool, blustery and showery pattern onward into Monday. Temperatures will vary during next week - highest Scottish summits will temporarily dip close to freezing point, but it will be often mild as southwesterlies prevail. Periods of gales or severe gales on the mountains. Frequent rain, some sustained heavy falls focused on western Scotland where flooding is possible through midweek. Less wet further south and east.

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