

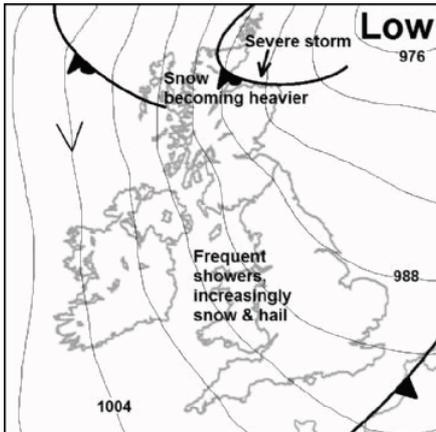
# Southern Uplands

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 Friday, 26 November, 2021



### British Mountain Summary:

**Based on forecast chart for noon 26 November, 2021**

A severe storm moves into Scotland from the north. Mountain gales strengthening to hurricane-force afternoon into evening. Snow setting in heavier in the north, falling to increasingly lower levels and spreading further south later. Frequent heavy showers for Wales with hail, risk thunder. Drier S Scotland & N England with some sun.

### Headline for Southern Uplands

Gales later severe. Local snow showers, risk snow widely evening.

## Detailed Forecast for Friday, 26 November, 2021

<b>How windy? (On the summits)</b>	Northwesterly 40mph, by dusk 55mph. Sudden strong gusts, particularly near precipitation. Over 70mph into evening and night.
<b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	<b>Severe wind chill and very difficult walking conditions, including sudden ferocious gusts - these reaching lower slopes.</b>
<b>How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)</b>	<b>Snow showers, mainly west of M74. Snow into night.</b> Showers mostly confined to the west of Galloway, snow or hail, small risk thunder. Mostly rain only lowest slopes. Into evening, threat of more widespread snow spreading from the north, falling to low levels, focused on Borders.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>Very extensive west</b> West of M74: Extensively shrouding the hills, the base changing quickly from 450-600m near precipitation, lowest Galloway. Breaks, often fleeting, to higher tops. East of M74: Cloud occasionally below 500m, but mostly above the summits.
<b>Chance of cloud free summits?</b>	<b>30%</b>
<b>Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)</b>	There may be patches of sun Borders - only glimpses elsewhere. Visibility appalling at times in snow but otherwise good. Changes in visibility will be rapid.
<b>How Cold? (at 750m)</b>	1C dropping to -2C. Wind chill near -15C, later -20C as severe winds develop.
<b>Freezing Level</b>	850m dropping to 550m before dusk, then toward lower slopes after dark.

## Southern Uplands - Looking Ahead

	<b>Saturday 27 November</b>	<b>Sunday 28 November</b>
<b>How windy? (On the summits)</b>	Northerly 40 to 60mph; strongest on Cheviots, at times 70mph highest tops.	Northerly 20 to 30mph, perhaps 40mph at times Cheviots; may slowly lessen from west.
<b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	<b>Difficult conditions. Considerable buffeting on higher areas; at times general mobility difficult. Severe wind chill.</b>	<b>Significant wind chill and buffeting at times on higher terrain, particularly higher eastern hills, risk arduous conditions.</b>
<b>How wet?</b> (Precipitation and its impact)	<b>Risk snow showers</b> A few snow showers locally, mainly toward easternmost hills. Blowing snow from overnight falls higher areas, in places also lying lower down.	<b>Mostly dry</b> Showers mostly confined to the North Sea coast, some may briefly drift onto easternmost hills with snow on hills.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>Summits often cloud free</b>  Dumfries and Galloway: Occasionally cloud below 600m but often cloud base near or above higher tops. Borders: Rapid changes in cloud base from below 450m near showers to otherwise 600m or above.	<b>Mostly east, little west</b>  Some banks of cloud covering higher eastern slopes, may come and go through the day. Further toward/west of the M74, occasional patches, but hills mostly clear.
<b>Chance of cloud free summits?</b>	<b>70% west to 30% east.</b>	<b>40% east, 80% west.</b>
<b>Sunshine?</b> Air clarity (below cloud)	Patches of sunshine, mainly Dumfries and Galloway. Visibility very good although hazy due to areas of blowing snow mainly higher areas Borders.	Mostly sunny, eastern areas may be cloudier. Superb visibility, reduced if locally in showers.
<b>How Cold? (at 750m)</b>	-2C. Wind chill as cold as -17C.	-2C. Wind chill as cold as -15C.
<b>Freezing Level</b>	Close to freezing point with lying snow to some lower slopes in morning; rising marginally above zero up to 400-500m.	Near or below freezing to lower slopes, rising slowly up to 400-550m, highest Galloway; soon frosty from sunset.

**Planning Outlook****All mountain areas of Britain from Saturday, 27 November, 2021**

Very cold this weekend with northerly gales or storm-force winds. Severe wind chill conditions on higher mountains on Saturday. Easing gradually from the west into Sunday. Snow showers focused on north-facing mountains, sometimes frequent or merging to constant falls for a few hours. Areas of sunshine and clear air away from showers.

Next week, west to northwesterly winds prevail. Precipitation frequent, with further bouts of upland gales or severe gales. Temperature will vary, lifting above freezing to highest summits early in the week. Colder again by midweek, then cycles of freeze & thaw are likely into next weekend, although mountains in England & Wales only temporarily sub-zero.

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