

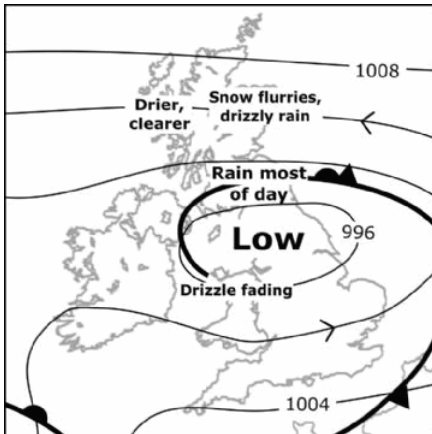
# Southern Uplands

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 Wednesday, 3 April, 2024



### British Mountain Summary:

#### Based on forecast chart for noon 3 April, 2024

Strong easterly winds, sub-zero on Scottish tops, significant chill factor. Persistent rain central & SE Scotland. Snow for E Highlands, mostly flurries. Extensive low cloud. Higher cloud bases, more often dry near west coast N from Mull. Frequent bursts of rain N England. Becoming often dry Wales, but strong westerlies.

### Headline for Southern Uplands

Varied winds, risk strengthening. Persistent rain/sleet and low cloud.

## Detailed Forecast for Wednesday, 3 April, 2024

<b>How windy? (On the summits)</b>	Variable or easterly, 20 to 30mph, speeds locally varied and may fluctuate during day, possible lulls. Reaching 40mph for periods northern areas, risk more widely afternoon.
<b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	<b>Blustery around high tops, walking impeded where exposed, may become more arduous. At times fairly small some areas.</b>
<b>How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)</b>	<b>Rain and drizzle may persist</b> Generally wet throughout the day with steady rain, heaviest Borders. At times easing to be drizzly, perhaps fading locally in western areas. Sleet on high tops, turning to wet snow on high tops late in day.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>Extensive</b> Shrouding the hills throughout the day, to mid or lower slopes much of the region.
<b>Chance of cloud free summits?</b>	<b>10%</b>
<b>Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)</b>	Overcast, dull or murky. Visibility poor.
<b>How Cold? (at 750m)</b>	1 or 2C, dropping to 0 or -1C later in day. Feeling near -5C if exposed to wind on tops.
<b>Freezing Level</b>	Only just above higher summits. By evening into night, lowering to 600-700m from the north.

Southern Uplands - Looking Ahead

	Thursday 4 April	Friday 5 April
<p><b>How windy? (On the summits)</b></p> <p><b>Effect of wind on you?</b></p>	<p>Variable or east to northeasterly 10 to 25mph, strongest eastern hills. Strengthening overnight to 40mph.</p> <p><b>Fairly small, but locally blustery with considerable wind chill for a time over tops in Borders &amp; Cheviots.</b></p>	<p>East soon turning southerly; gusts 50mph+ at first. A possible lull, but risk often 30mph, further gales later.</p> <p><b>Beware of changing conditions, at times difficult over the hills with sudden gusts. May improve for a time.</b></p>
<p><b>How wet?</b> (Precipitation and its impact)</p>	<p><b>A little rain or upland snow, showers</b></p> <p>Patchy drizzly rain, snow flurries above 500m early in the day, mostly east. A scattering of showers forming widely into afternoon, possible soft hail. Extensive heavy rain and upland snow into the night.</p>	<p><b>Rain may fade</b></p> <p>Overnight hill snow turning more to rain to higher levels by dawn. Areas of rain may continue into the daytime, but tending to break up into showers. May stay often damp near Solway. Further rain into night.</p>
<p><b>Cloud on the hills?</b></p>	<p><b>Varied over tops</b></p> <p>Cloud covering eastern tops much of the day, to some mid-slopes in the morning, lifting gradually. Varied over higher slopes in west, some breaks forming.</p>	<p><b>Extensive</b></p> <p>Covering the hills widely from mid to lower slopes upward in the morning, or most of the day from Galloway to the Moffat hills. Bases rising with some breaks north of Beattock, into Lothians, perhaps Cheviots.</p>
<p><b>Chance of cloud free summits?</b></p>	<p><b>40%</b></p>	<p><b>30%</b></p>
<p><b>Sunshine?</b> Air clarity (below cloud)</p>	<p>Mostly cloudy, glimpses of sun at times. Visibility good when dry, locally mistier in the morning.</p>	<p>Mostly cloudy, murky in morning, some areas all day. Local improvements mainly toward Lothians.</p>
<p><b>How Cold? (at 750m)</b></p> <p><b>Freezing Level</b></p>	<p>Around 0C in east, rising to 2C in west. Feeling like -8C if exposed to stronger winds in morning.</p> <p>Near freezing above 600-700m, for much of day Cheviots, plus frost in some valleys at first. Lifting above western tops.</p>	<p>2C rising to 6C. Wind chill often feeling like -5C.</p> <p>Above the summits.</p>

**Planning Outlook**

**All mountain areas of Britain from Thursday, 4 April, 2024**

Complex areas of low pressure continue to circulate over Britain. Chilly easterly winds for Scotland through midweek, eventually turning southwesterly by the weekend with a rise of temperature by this stage. Risk of widespread upland gales Friday into the weekend. The western Highlands will generally see least precipitation and best cloud breaks. Eastern Scottish hills plus much of England and Wales more often affected by low cloud and periods of rain or hill snow. Fresh snow accumulations over the Highlands. England and especially Wales typically above freezing to tops.

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