

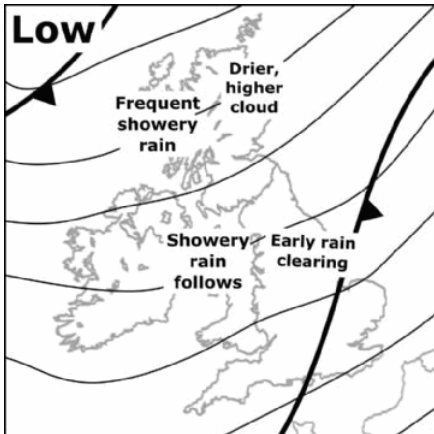
Southern Uplands

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 Sunday, 1 December, 2024



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 1 December, 2024

Windy, gales across the mountains, although strongest speeds early in day tending to lessen. Rain most frequent in west, showery bursts. Early rain clears east across the Pennines. Much colder air arrives from northwest into night, with snow on Scottish mountains.

Headline for Southern Uplands

Windy, gales on tops. Showery rain most frequent west.

Detailed Forecast for Sunday, 1 December, 2024

How windy? (On the summits)	Southwesterly up to 60mph around dawn in east; then typically 30-35mph, but gusts over 40mph on higher tops; may ease a little.
Effect of wind on you?	Very blustery on higher terrain, in places walking arduous where exposed on tops. Considerable wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Early rain clears; showery rain west Heavy rain overnight, fading and clearing eastwards around or soon after dawn. Then intermittent rain, showery bursts in west; may be often wet on western hills up to Moffat area. Showery rain into night, turning to snow on tops.
Cloud on the hills?	Fairly extensive, lifting north/east Covering the hills widely in the morning, to lower slopes near Solway - here likely to persist above 400-500m. Bases mostly above 600m toward north, also lifting across eastern hills.
Chance of cloud free summits?	10% nr Solway, rising to 40% elsewhere
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Generally cloudy, local glimpses of sun may develop toward the Lothians. Visibility reduced by rain, may be poor in morning, but improving to be very good.
How Cold? (at 750m)	7C, lowering slightly later in day, then overnight dropping quickly to 0C. Daytime wind chill feeling like -5C.
Freezing Level	Above the summits all day. Overnight up to dawn on Monday falling quickly to 600-700m.

Southern Uplands - Looking Ahead

	Monday 2 December	Tuesday 3 December
<p>How windy? (On the summits)</p> <p>Effect of wind on you?</p>	<p>Northerly 25 to 40mph, strongest Cheviots; tending to lessen during daytime from the west.</p> <p>Prepare for significant wind chill on higher terrain. Some buffeting especially on eastern hills; may improve.</p>	<p>Southerly, likely strengthening - timing very uncertain - 10-20mph or less from dawn, later risk up to 40mph western hills.</p> <p>Likely to start small, but beware of changing conditions: may start to affect comfortable walking, marked wind chill.</p>
<p>How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)</p>	<p>Showers, snow on hills</p> <p>Showers with snow falling above 400m, possibly lower at times, likely most frequent toward Borders & Cheviots, but a band of showers pushing southwards may be more widespread in the morning.</p>	<p>Risk of snow moving in from west</p> <p>Likely dry in morning, or all of daylight in east, but later risk of snow moving in from the west, initially flurries, then more persistent. Turning wetter on low-mid slopes into night.</p>
<p>Cloud on the hills?</p>	<p>Often clear, covering hills in showers</p> <p>Banks of cloud drifting over higher slopes, most common in eastern areas, briefly below 600m in showers. Clearing completely away from showers.</p>	<p>Little if any</p> <p>Many hills likely clear all day. Patches may drift onto some slopes in the west with time, possibly filling in further here if precipitation develops later in day.</p>
<p>Chance of cloud free summits?</p>	<p>70%</p>	<p>80%</p>
<p>Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)</p>	<p>Periods of bright sunshine and very clear air, but visibility reduced in snow.</p>	<p>Superb visibility, sparkling sunshine especially eastern areas, giving way as high cloud builds from west, becoming overcast later.</p>
<p>How Cold? (at 750m)</p> <p>Freezing Level</p>	<p>-1 or -2C.</p> <p>500 to 700m; beware of icy surfaces. Soon frosty into valleys by evening.</p>	<p>-2C rising to 0C from west; slightly higher into the night. Wind chill feeling like -10C or colder if speeds increase.</p> <p>Most terrain frozen from dawn. Variable rise to 300-600m, highest west; gradually lifting to upper slopes evening into night.</p>

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Monday, 2 December, 2024

Much colder again by Monday as winds switch temporarily northerly. Showers with snow falling over the mountains, to lower elevations in Scotland. Clear and frosty into early Tuesday then a front approaches from the west to bring snow later in the day and overnight into Wednesday, may clear into Wednesday daytime. Then later in the week through next weekend, a more turbulent southwesterly pattern, bringing stormy winds; fluctuating temperatures above and below freezing on the mountains with a mix of rain and upland snow.

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