

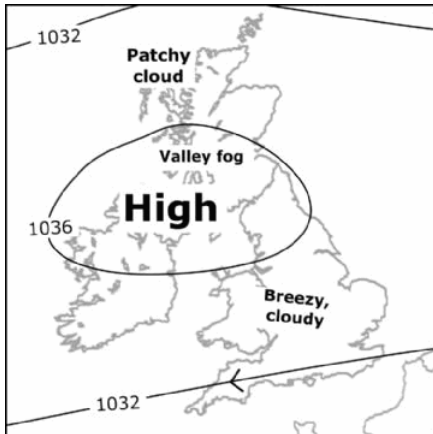
Southern Uplands

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, 11 December, 2024



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 11 December, 2024

Sunshine and little wind for Scotland, some areas of low-level fog; extensive snow cover over the mountains. Above an inversion, air temperature on tops above freezing, but hard frost into the glens. A chilly easterly breeze for England and Wales; sunshine best near west coasts, cloudier eastwards.

Headline for Southern Uplands

Little wind. Inversion, sunshine above low-level fog.

Detailed Forecast for Wednesday, 11 December, 2024

How windy? (On the summits)	Variable or easterly 5-10mph.
Effect of wind on you?	Small
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Dry
Cloud on the hills?	Hills clear, some low-level fog Most tops clear. Fog in some valleys may persist all day. Cloud banks may drift onto some lower eastern hills for periods.
Chance of cloud free summits?	90%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Sunshine and excellent visibility, above patchy fog lower slopes.
How Cold? (at 750m)	5C (lower slopes colder).
Freezing Level	Above the summits, but terrain widely at least partly frozen, with frost in the valleys.

Southern Uplands - Looking Ahead

	Thursday 12 December	Friday 13 December
How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	Variable or southerly 5 to 15mph, likely strongest over Galloway hills and some gustier areas toward Lothians. Small	Variable or southwesterly 10-15mph. Small
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Largely dry Possible fine drizzle on some slopes.	Little or no precipitation Damp air where in cloud. Local pockets of drizzle mainly toward coastal hills in the west.
Cloud on the hills? Chance of cloud free summits?	Risk areas of fog Locally varied conditions - fog likely shrouding some hills from lower slopes upwards, but higher tops poking out above the fog layer. Some areas generally clear all day. 70% (above fog in places).	Extensive Shrouding the hills widely with banks of cloud at various elevations, typically lowest toward coasts in Dumfries & Galloway. Higher bases and local breaks possible at times toward north. 20%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Some tops sunny above fog, but risk widely murky on the hills. Local sunnier breaks toward the north.	Overcast and dull much of region, local glimpses of sun and good visibility possible toward the Lothians. Hazy or misty most areas.
How Cold? (at 750m) Freezing Level	4C (lower slopes colder in morning). Above the summits, but slight frost in some valleys.	2C. Just above freezing at most elevations, but some valleys may have frost in the morning.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Thursday, 12 December, 2024

High pressure weakens beyond midweek, allowing fog banks to drift higher up on the hills, local pockets of drizzle forming. As the inversion situation fades, temperatures will fall back to freezing on higher terrain by Friday and Saturday; some snow flurries as northwesterly winds develop. Stronger westerly winds by Sunday, severe gales likely at least on Scottish mountains. Milder for a few days Sunday into early next week with thawing, rain focused on western Scotland, low cloud widely on western hills. Varied temperatures later next week, but greater uncertainty of weather detail by then. Indications favour higher pressure returning toward the Christmas period.

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