

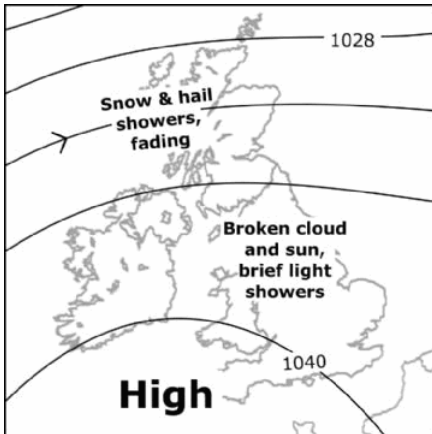
Southern Uplands

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, 5 February, 2025



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 5 February, 2025

Chilly westerly winds, strongest in northern Scotland, gale-force on higher mountains. Showers of snow and hail mostly over western Scotland in the morning will tend to fade with time. Patchy cloud across many western tops, some breaks forming.

Headline for Southern Uplands

Windy. Brief showers in west fading.

Detailed Forecast for Wednesday, 5 February, 2025

How windy? (On the summits)	Westerly 25-30mph, to in places gusty 35mph in morning near and east of higher summits, at first local 40mph around The Cheviot.
Effect of wind on you?	Blustery over higher slopes, buffeting gusts particularly near and east of highest tops. Considerable wind chill, easing a little.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Soon generally dry A few showers with snow and possible hail on upper slopes in Galloway in the morning. Rare if any elsewhere. Fading out to be substantially dry.
Cloud on the hills?	Patches mostly west, increasingly clearing Patches of cloud capping some higher tops occasionally in the morning, mainly west of the M74. Frequently lifting above hills with time. Tops often clear all day toward east.
Chance of cloud free summits?	70% rising above 90%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Intermittent sunshine, best toward east. Visibility very good.
How Cold? (at 750m)	-1C rising to +1C. Wind chill feeling like -10C.
Freezing Level	600-700m, plus slight frost in some valleys from dawn, rising slowly just above freezing point to higher tops.

Southern Uplands - Looking Ahead

	Thursday 6 February	Friday 7 February
How windy? (On the summits)	Southerly 10 to 20mph, strongest over western hills in Galloway, locally gusty.	Southeasterly 20mph, to in places gusts 30mph, mainly Galloway.
Effect of wind on you?	Mostly small, but feeling chilly where exposed on higher western tops, gusts may affect ease of walking in places.	Often fairly small, but occasional gusty areas may affect comfortable walking, also giving marked wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	No precipitation	No precipitation
Cloud on the hills?	Patchy cloud southwest for a time Cloud banks around south-facing slopes, mostly mid-elevations, plus some fog in valleys in the morning. Some cloud patches may drift higher up in Galloway, but increasingly dispersing.	Mostly clear, may drift onto eastern hills Risk areas of cloud drifting onto some mid and upper slopes, more likely over the Cheviots, possibly the highest summits near the top of the cloud layer. Generally clearer toward west and north.
Chance of cloud free summits?	80%	90%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Generally sunny out of the local patchy cloud. Visibility excellent; mist or haze some lower slopes.	Sunshine may be extensive, but some cloud may come and go in Borders. Visibility excellent.
How Cold? (at 750m)	2C. Wind chill feeling like -6C in west.	0 or 1C. Wind chill in places feeling near -10C.
Freezing Level	Terrain part-frozen, including frost widely in valleys early morning. Gradual thawing at many elevations in the sun.	Much terrain frozen above 600m, plus frost in sheltered spots lower down. Some hills toward N/W above freezing higher up.

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Thursday, 6 February, 2025**

High pressure builds and becomes centred around Scandinavia in the extended outlook into next week. A chilly east to southeasterly pattern is likely to prevail into mid-February. Some lulls, but periods of gusty winds will give significant wind chill. Often extensively dry, but occasional snow flurries mainly over England & Wales, occasionally also eastern Scotland. Variable amounts of cloud, although the west and especially northwest Highlands often clear and sunny. Some mountains above freezing later this week, but from the weekend, generally sub-zero across all mountains - a sustained period of freeze from many lower slopes upward. Frost common into the valleys.

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