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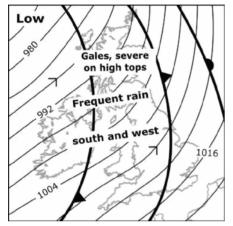
# **Southern Uplands**

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 Thursday, 20 February, 2025



#### British Mountain Summary: Based on forecast chart for noon 20 February, 2025

Gale force winds widespread across the mountains. South and west areas will often be rainy, most persistent near coasts, some heavy bursts at times moving inland. Less rain further east & northeast. Extensive low cloud shrouding the hills.

### Headline for Southern Uplands

Gales widely. Rainy, particularly south and west

# Detailed Forecast for Thursday, 20 February, 2025

How windy? (On the summits)	Southerly 50-55mph, gradually shifting southwesterly. Some gusts reaching 65mph into south Galloway and southern hills near A74.		
Effect of wind on you?	Any walking difficult, you may struggle to stay on your feet. Severe wind chill.		
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	<b>Often raining west, drier east</b> Rain most of the day west of M74, some spells more persistent. Southern slopes wettest. More patchy around Cheviots, often dry Lothians.		
Cloud on the hills?	Extensive, higher bases Central Belt Cloud down to lowest slopes will be extensive on southern slopes and over high terrain. Some higher bases or occasional breaks near Central Belt, best near Lothians.		
Chance of cloud free summits?	20%		
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Little or no sunshine, some hazy sun possible towards Lothians. Poor to very poor visibility.		
How Cold? (at 750m)	7 or 8C at first, cooling through the afternoon towards 5 or 6C by dusk. Feeling like -8C in the wind.		
Freezing Level	Above the summits.		

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#### Southern Uplands - Looking Ahead

	Friday 21 February	Saturday 22 February
How windy? (On the summits)	Southerly 60-80mph for most of daylight.	Southwesterly 25-35mph. Risk of strong gusts around Borders and Lothians.
Effect of wind on you?	Any mobility very difficult. Severe wind chill.	Walking strenuous at times, some balance challenges in higher winds. Notable wind chill.
How wet?	Very wet Galloway, intermittent east	Drizzle spells Galloway and Borders
(Precipitation and its impact)	Rain nearly persistent into Galloway. Often raining east as well, breaks most likely near Lothians.	Brief drizzle spells across Galloway hills. A few isolated drizzle spells in the Borders region.
Cloud on the hills?	Extensive south, clear spells Lothians	Frequent Galloway and southern slopes
	Low cloud will be extensive on southern slopes and high terrain. Higher bases with occasional breaks north of high terrain.	Cloud banks quite persistent on south-facing slopes, patchy with clear spells north and east. High terrain of Galloway often shrouded.
Chance of cloud free summits?	20%	50%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Little or no sunshine. Poor to very poor visibility.	Glimpses of sun near Central Belt, otherwise little. Good to excellent visibility.
How Cold? (at 750m)	7C, a degree or so warmer east. Cooling a few degrees in the west in the afternoon. Feeling as cold as -10C in wind.	3C Feeling like -5C in wind.
Freezing Level	Above the summits.	Above the summits.

## Planning Outlook

#### All mountain areas of Britain from Friday, 21 February, 2025

Frequent rain and periods of gale or storm force upland wind over the next several days. All terrain will have thawed by the weekend, though on Saturday, higher Scottish summits will be below freezing and over England and Wales there will be a lull in the wind. Deteriorating again widely into Sunday. Becoming very wet underfoot on western mountains. Next week sees lower temperatures, a return to mostly sub-freezing conditions over Scottish Munros, whilst lower Scottish hills plus mountains in England & Wales will see some freeze and thaw. Showery conditions with hail and upland snow, mixed with occasionally more widespread precipitation and low cloud, though periods of clearing will occur as well.

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