

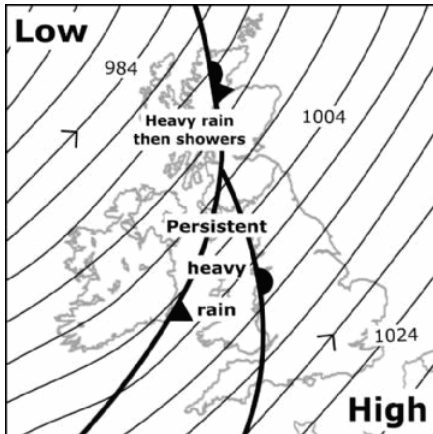
Southern Uplands

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, 23 February, 2025



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 23 February, 2025

Severe conditions with storm-force winds widely over the mountains. Extensive heavy rain for Scotland in the morning, some wet snow only on highest summits for a time, by afternoon breaking up into showers. Heavy rain setting in for much of the day for England and Wales.

Headline for Southern Uplands

Sustained storm-force winds. Soon heavy rain widely.

Detailed Forecast for Sunday, 23 February, 2025

How windy? (On the summits)	South to southwesterly 50 to 70mph, for periods over 80mph at least in gusts on higher summits.
Effect of wind on you?	Severe conditions: mobility challenging across the hills, frequently knocking you off your feet where exposed higher up.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Heavy rain extending east, showers in west later Heavy rain setting in for Galloway around dawn - a few hours dry in Borders, but rain soon advancing eastwards to all areas, lasting several hours. Into afternoon, breaking up from west into clusters of showers. Very wet underfoot, streams in spate, some flooding.
Cloud on the hills?	Extensive Shrouding the hills most or all day, lowest cloud bases to mid or some lower slopes for a few hours. Highest bases Pentland hills. Starting to lift to upper slopes as rain eases from west.
Chance of cloud free summits?	10%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Overcast and dull, sun unlikely. Hazy, poor visibility in precipitation.
How Cold? (at 750m)	2C rising to 5C. Feeling like -10 to -15C due to wind chill.
Freezing Level	Above the summits.

Southern Uplands - Looking Ahead

	Monday 24 February	Tuesday 25 February
How windy? (On the summits)	Southwesterly 35 to 45mph, strongest in the morning.	Westerly 20 to 30mph.
Effect of wind on you?	Arduous walking conditions, considerable buffeting affecting balance on higher exposed terrain. Significant wind chill.	Starting to affect comfortable walking and balance on exposed higher tops. Considerable wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Brief showers Well scattered short-lived showers, mostly western areas.	Showers with summit snow, hail A few showers mostly western hills, some extend east into Cheviots, but rare into Borders; falling as snow on higher tops above 600-700m, also briefly hail.
Cloud on the hills?	Sometimes capping western tops Patches of cloud likely to come and go over higher tops, mainly Dumfries & Galloway, but many hills often clear or frequently clearing.	Varied over tops Patches of cloud likely to come and go over higher tops mainly in western areas, bases 600-700m, briefly lower in showers for Galloway.
Chance of cloud free summits?	60%	60%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Intermittent sun, best Borders to Lothians. Visibility very good.	Occasional sun, most frequent toward east. Visibility often excellent, but reduced briefly in showers.
How Cold? (at 750m)	1 or 2C. Feeling like -10C in the wind.	0 or 1C. Wind chill feeling like -7 to -10C.
Freezing Level	Just above highest summits, then into night dropping to around 800m.	800m or just above highest summits.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Monday, 24 February, 2025

Returning to freezing over the Scottish Munros from Monday, staying sub-zero over the tops during the week ahead, whilst higher summits in England & Wales will fluctuate around freezing point. Beware of icy surfaces as previously thawed ground refreezes. Wet underfoot on lower ground with streams in spate and local flooding at first following several spells of heavy rain recently. Showery precipitation coming in from the west, falling as snow on the mountains, accumulating on higher terrain, also sometimes hail. A possibly more widespread area of rain and hill snow during midweek. Wind speeds varied, west to southwesterlies at times gale force on tops, prepare for considerable chill factor.

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