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# **Southern Uplands**

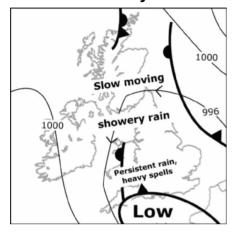
The Galloway hills eastward to the Lammermuir hills. The Cheviots (including higher hills within the adjacent Northumberland NP).



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## General Summary for Tuesday, 15 April, 2025



# British Mountain Summary: Based on forecast chart for noon 15 April, 2025

Patchy rain and hill snow across Scotland. Cloud lifting and breaking, returning in showers. Patchy rain into England as well with more cloud here in the morning. Local slow-moving showery bursts into afternoon. Rain becoming persistent in south Wales and reaching north, becoming windy too with risk of gales here.

#### **Headline for Southern Uplands**

Scattered showers, hill cloud around rain

## **Detailed Forecast for Tuesday, 15 April, 2025**

How windy? (On the summits)	Variable, mostly north-northwesterly after dawn; 10-15mph, local 20mph Galloway; often less further east. Winds rising towards 25mph near Merrick around dusk.	
Effect of wind on you?	Fairly small, evening increase in winds around Galloway starting to affect comfortable walking.	
How wet?	Morning light rain into scattered showers	
(Precipitation and its impact)	Patchy light rain in the morning, developing into scattered and slow-moving areas of showery rain into the afternoon.	
Cloud on the hills?	Variable over higher areas	
	Covering some hills during the morning, mainly around rain. Lifting to upper slopes or above away from showers, but risk locally more persistent around rain, notably east of the M74.	
Chance of cloud free summits?	50%	
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Little sun, only weak glimpses through high cloud, best in the west. Visibility very good away from showers.	
How Cold? (at 750m)	2 or 3C in the morning. Slight rise through the day, reaching up to 5C many areas. Galloway staying coolest.	
Freezing Level	Above the summits	

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#### **Southern Uplands - Looking Ahead**

	Wednesday 16 April	Thursday 17 April
How windy? (On the summits)  Effect of wind on you?	Very uncertain forecast detail: Risk northerly 25-35mph, but possibly variable and much lighter speeds. Beware risk of challenging conditions and significant wind chill at least part of the day. Possibly much more benign conditions.	At dawn, westerly 20-30mph. Shifting southwesterly and easing a bit through the day.  Walking lightly impeded in highest winds, perhaps some effects on stability on exposed areas.
How wet?	Risk upland snow for several hours	Showers developing
(Precipitation and its impact)	Uncertain, but increasing risk of a extensive area of rain and hill snow above 500m moving northwards across the region.	Morning showers into Galloway, spreading to most areas into middle of day, a scattering of brief heavy showers passing northwards during the afternoon.
Cloud on the hills?	Extensive if rain/snow occurs	Patchy cloud higher terrain
	Risk shrouding the hills widely for much of the day. More broken patches on tops if only showery precipitation.	A few cloud banks around in the morning over highest terrain, down to mid slopes in Galloway. Increasing patchy cloud with bases near 700-800m in showers, through rising through the day with breaks to highest tops by afternoon.
Chance of cloud free summits?	40%	50%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Little if any sun. Visibility poor if rain/snow sets in, otherwise good.	Only glimpses of sun, more frequent later afternoon. Visibility good, poor in showers.
How Cold? (at 750m)	Detail uncertain: around 0C, possibly warming a few degrees. If stronger winds occur, chill factor feeling	2C, rising to 5C. Warmer at dawn easternmost hills.
Freezing Level	Possibly down to 600-700m, mainly during precipitation; rising later.	Above the summits

#### **Planning Outlook**

#### All mountain areas of Britain from Wednesday, 16 April, 2025

A highly complex weather situation during this week as areas of low pressure circulate slowly near or across the British Isles. A mix of showers with hail and snow on hills, but at times a risk of more persistent and widespread rain and hill snow - particularly Wednesday, but a similar risk continues into the Easter period. Occasional windows of dry and clear conditions locally. Wind speeds very variable, often light, but beware periods of strengthening markedly to gale force over the hills. Temperatures generally cool, particularly compared to recent times, often near or below freezing on higher mountains.

#### Forecast issued at 16:30 on Monday, 14 April, 2025

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