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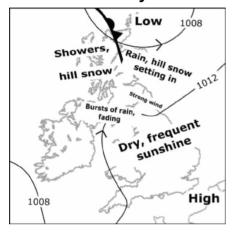
Southern Uplands

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, 17 April, 2025



British Mountain Summary: Based on forecast chart for noon 17 April, 2025

Snow setting in for a time over the Munros in Scotland, staying sub-zero on high tops. Showery in the Southern Uplands. Windy with bursts of rain in north England, fading through afternoon as cloud lifts and breaks. Mostly dry with a brisk breeze south Pennines and Wales with frequent sunshine.

Headline for Southern Uplands

Scattered showers, some flakes possible. Windy.

Detailed Forecast for Thursday, 17 April, 2025

How windy? (On the summits)	At dawn, westerly 30-35mph, some gusts east of M74 reaching 40mph. Starting to ease in Galloway around noon towards 15-20mph, eastern areas easing later afternoon. Becoming 10mph or less by dusk.		
Effect of wind on you?	Balance and stability affected through the morning, considerable buffeting in the east. Gradually easing to fairly small or negligible effects later afternoon. Significant wind chill at first.		
How wet?	Scattered showers		
(Precipitation and its impact)	and the state of t		
Cloud on the hills?	Extensive morning, lifting and breaking		
	Much high terrain shrouded in the morning, lowest bases around Merrick as low as 400-500m. Bases begin lifting as noon approaches to mostly high terrain, lifting off summits and breaking up through the afternoon.		
Chance of cloud free summits?	20% at dawn, gradually becoming 80%		
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	No sun in the morning, becoming intermittent through the afternoon. Poor visibility at dawn improving to excellent.		
How Cold? (at 750m)	0 to +1C, rising to 4C Feeling as cold as -12C in morning wind.		
Freezing Level	700-800m in Galloway in the morning, only on highest summits east of the M74. Soon rising above all terrain.		

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Southern Uplands - Looking Ahead

	Friday 18 April	Saturday 19 April
How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	Southeasterly 25-30mph at dawn. Shifting easterly with winds rising to 35-40mph, strongest Galloway and near Central Belt. Walking impeded with stability often affected in highest wind. Notable wind chill.	Easterly 25-35mph at first, some sudden strong gusts around Galloway. Easing to 15mph or less after noon. Winds affecting comfortable walking at first, some stability challenges in Galloway. Notable wind chill.
How wet?	Little rain expected	Little if any
(Precipitation and its impact)	Chance showery rain on and off in Galloway. Substantially dry to the east through a few stray afternoon showers.	Chance of patchy light rain in Galloway at dawn, soon clearing for a dry day.
Cloud on the hills?	Some cloud caps over tops, mostly west	Patchy fog early, lifting
	Occasional cloud caps drifting over high terrain though often clear. Cloud may be longer-lived in south Galloway. Cheviot hills largely clear.	Patchy fog in sheltered valleys at dawn, some banks drifting to upper slopes. Lifting or dispersing through the morning with most cloud bases above highest tops by early afternoon. A few clouds will cap highest tops east of M74 in the afternoon.
Chance of cloud free summits?	80%, 60% west	40%, rising to 80%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Little or no sun. Visibility mostly good.	Intermittent sun, less frequent Galloway. Visibility becoming excellent.
How Cold? (at 750m)	4 or 5C, warming slightly in Galloway Wind chill near -5C.	3 or 4C, rising to 5C. A sudden cooling on easternmost hills around dusk.
Freezing Level	Above the summits	Above the summits

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Friday, 18 April, 2025

Several cores of low pressure are circulating around the British Isles through the weekend and into next week. Western areas are likely to see rain with a few stray showers into the east. High pressure will briefly build in on Easter, settling the weather momentarily. Southern areas will see showers into early next week and low pressure will become dominant in the Atlantic, which may push several bands of rain eastward toward the British Isles, though details remain uncertain at this point. Temperatures will be near average or slightly cooler, depending on the position of low pressure.

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