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Southern Uplands

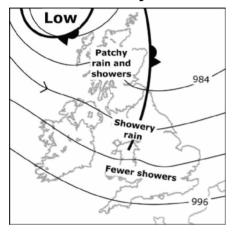
The Galloway hills eastward to the Lammermuir hills. The Cheviots (including higher hills within the adjacent Northumberland NP).





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General Summary for Tuesday, 21 October, 2025



British Mountain Summary: Based on forecast chart for noon 21 October, 2025

Patchy rain drifts east across the Highlands, breaking up into showers. Staying showery all day toward west coast, locally more frequent rain. Showery rain throughout the day for England and Wales, occasionally heavy. Low cloud most persistent west. Increasingly windy, feeling cold.

Headline for Southern Uplands

Wind strengthening, showery rain develops from west.

Detailed Forecast for Tuesday, 21 October, 2025

| How windy? (On the summits) | Southwest turning westerly, 20 to 25mph in morning, tending to increase, reaching 30-35mph in higher tops in afternoon, squally gusts in showers. | |
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| Effect of wind on you? | Increasingly blustery over exposed tops, more challenging with time, affecting comfortable walking, soonest in west. Marked wind chill. | |
| How wet? | Showery rain most widely afternoon | |
| (Precipitation and its impact) | Showery rain mostly Galloway hills in morning, brief light showers drifting toward M74 corridor, drier morning further east. In afternoon, showery rain develops more widely from the west, frequent over an hour or so. | |
| Cloud on the hills? | ud on the hills? Most frequent west, breaks east | |
| | Banks of cloud fairly widespread over the hills in the morning, local fog in some eastern valleys. Tending to lift above 600m, most persistent western hills, breaks to tops mainly east, lowering in showers. | |
| Chance of cloud free summits? | 40% | |
| Sunshine? | Mostly cloudy west, occasional sun toward Borders and Lothians. | |
| Air clarity (below cloud) | Visibility very good away from rain, best for longest in Borders; reduced more often afternoon. | |
| How Cold? (at 750m) | 6 or 7C, small variation with height in morning; dropping to 4C evening into night. Feeling below freezing in stronger wind, in afternoon nearer -5C high tops. | |
| Freezing Level | Above the summits | |

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Southern Uplands - Looking Ahead

| | Wednesday 22 October | Thursday 23 October |
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| How windy? (On the summits) | West or southwesterly 15 to 25mph. | High uncertainty - mostly W-SW'ly, 20-35mph, possibly increasing later 40-50mph, soonest and strongest in west. |
| Effect of wind on you? | Fairly small, but more blustery and feeling noticeably chilly on exposed higher terrain. | Risk of blustery conditions particularly western hills, may affect comfortable walking with marked wind chill. |
| How wet? (Precipitation and its impact) | Rare if any precipitation | Risk showers mainly west |
| | One or two light showers mostly Galloway hills, possibly more frequent later. | Often dry, but risk of some showers, greater risk toward Galloway, may become more frequent here with time, some heavier bursts with possible hail. |
| Cloud on the hills? | Occasionally on high tops | Mostly western high tops |
| | Some patchy cloud on higher slopes in Galloway, mostly above 700m. Patches may graze higher slopes further east, but many hill tops often clear. | Patchy cloud mostly over higher tops in Galloway, lowering in showers. Further east, cloud higher and more broken above the tops. |
| Chance of cloud free summits? | 70% | 60% |
| Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud) | Fairly cloudy, some sun, best in east. Visibility excellent. | Occasional sun east, cloudier west. Visibility excellent where dry, but reducing locally to poor if precipitation develops. |
| How Cold? (at 750m) | 5C. Feeling below freezing in the wind. | 3 or 4C. In stronger winds, chill factor feeling like -5C, possibly -8C in west. |
| Freezing Level | Above the summits | Above the summits |
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Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Wednesday, 22 October, 2025

A complex weather situation through midweek, with various centres of low pressure drifting around slowly. Areas of rain and showers, but also drier moments - Wednesday and possibly Thursday often dry in eastern Scotland and northern England - beware of a deterioration from the northwest during Thursday with gales and rain setting in . Significantly colder later in the week as winds turn northerly. Freezing level dropping to 800-1000m into the weekend, lowest in northern Scotland. A mix of sunshine and showers falling as snow on high terrain, most frequent in north-facing areas.

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