

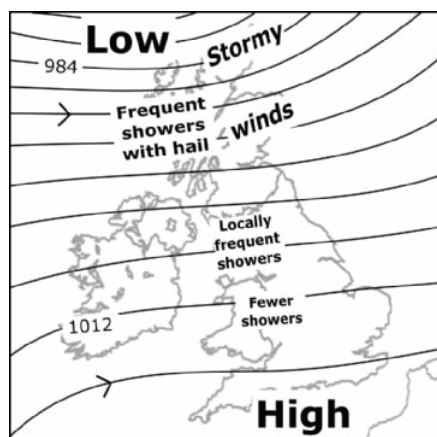
Southern Uplands

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 Wednesday, 10 December, 2025



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 10 December, 2025

Storm-force winds continue over Scottish mountains, beware of storm damage and blocked routes. Gales remain severe over high terrain in northern England and tops in north Wales. Showery rain, hail and on higher tops snow in the Highlands, near-constant in the west. Bands of showers northern England, fewer for Wales.

Headline for Southern Uplands

Upland gales, severe high tops. Some showery rain.

Detailed Forecast for Wednesday, 10 December, 2025

How windy? (On the summits)	Southwesterly 45 to 55mph, risk gusts 70mph higher tops, particularly Cheviots.
Effect of wind on you?	Arduous walking conditions from mid elevations upward, difficult over higher terrain, gusts knocking you off balance, may knock you over; significant wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Showers Occasional showery rain. Driest toward Lothians and Borders. Wet underfoot, streams in spate, some flooding in west.
Cloud on the hills?	Mostly western tops Cloud base varying, likely to come and go over higher slopes, most often Galloway. Breaks frequent Pentlands to Borders.
Chance of cloud free summits?	50%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Occasional sun mostly north and east. Slight haze, visibility reduced briefly around showers.
How Cold? (at 750m)	3 or 4C, rising slightly into evening-night. Wind chill feeling like -10C.
Freezing Level	Above the summits

Southern Uplands - Looking Ahead

	Thursday 11 December	Friday 12 December
How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	South-southwesterly 40 to 50mph, strongest in western areas risk 60mph, but powerful gusts likely widely. Challenging walking conditions, remaining difficult over higher tops in west.	From dawn, SW'ly 30-40mph east hills, W'ly 15-20mph west. Easing east, then rising again from west, 35-40mph at dusk. Changeable: fairly small for a period early in the day, but walking increasingly strenuous in exposure with wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Damp toward southwest Drizzly rain may persist in areas near to the Solway up to Moffat hills. Spots in the wind elsewhere, but often dry north and eastern areas. Toward dusk, risk steadier rain Galloway.	Early rain east soon clears Raining over the east Borders, Lothians and Cheviot at dawn, dry to the west. This rain soon clears to the east. A few odd showers may drift onto the south Galloway hills.
Cloud on the hills?	Most persistent west Low cloud likely to cover southern hills near and west of the M74 corridor perhaps all day to 400-500m. Higher breaks north and eastward.	Mostly central/western high terrain From dawn, only high tops in cloud in Galloway, more extensive over eastern tops briefly. Bases will lift with breaks, best east; high tops of the Borders and Galloway will often be in cloud, lower bases later.
Chance of cloud free summits?	50%	Rising to 50% east, 30% west
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Sun mostly near Lothians and Cheviots, cloudier west/southwest areas. Hazy or misty west, otherwise good visibility.	Patchy sunshine, most frequent north and east areas. Very clear air at first but becoming hazy from the west.
How Cold? (at 750m) Freezing Level	5C, may start to drop into evening or night. Feeling like -7 to -10C in the wind. Above the summits	From dawn, 5C east, 3C west, soon widely 3C. Feeling like -12C in wind late in the day. Above the summits

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Thursday, 11 December, 2025

Staying unsettled as southwesterly winds prevail and low pressure systems pass to the northwest of Scotland; sustained gales over the mountains, severe or stormy for periods. Temperatures only just below freezing intermittently on higher Scottish tops, even here will experience spells above freezing with thawing, any lying snow patchy, but beware some icy surfaces on the very highest tops where some refreezing occurs. Driest in eastern areas on Thursday, otherwise rainfall will be frequent and heavy, sometimes showery with hail. Expect wet ground conditions and further flooding of streams and some rivers.

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