

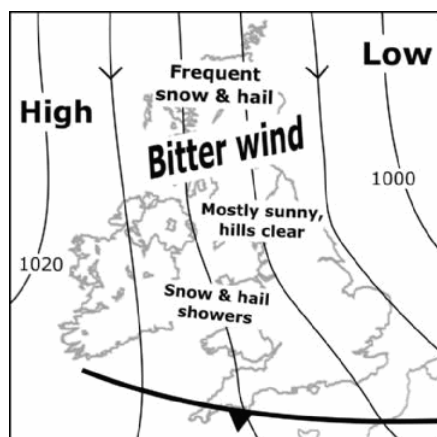
# Southern Uplands

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 Friday, 2 January, 2026



### British Mountain Summary:

#### Based on forecast chart for noon 2 January, 2026

Bitterly cold north-northwesterly winds, gale-force over many hills, typically strongest in morning, again late in day Scotland. Frequent snow and hail northern Scotland, blizzard conditions on mountains. Showers also affect Wales. Mostly dry, sunny and clear hills N England & S Scotland. Most terrain frozen.

### Headline for Southern Uplands

Gales in morning lessen, significant chill factor. Sunshine.

## Detailed Forecast for Friday, 2 January, 2026

<b>How windy? (On the summits)</b>	North-northwesterly 40 to 50mph from before dawn into the morning, lessening, 30 to 40mph by afternoon, then tending to increase again after dark.
<b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	<b>Significant wind chill over the hills. Arduous with considerable buffeting in the morning, remaining strenuous walking in exposure on higher terrain afternoon.</b>
<b>How wet?</b> (Precipitation and its impact)	<b>Rare if any snow showers</b> Isolated snow and hail showers mostly confined to areas nearest coasts.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>Little if any</b> Patches clipping some high tops occasionally, mainly western hills in Galloway.
<b>Chance of cloud free summits?</b>	<b>80%</b>
<b>Sunshine?</b> Air clarity (below cloud)	Mostly sunny, some cloud toward coasts. Visibility excellent.
<b>How Cold? (at 750m)</b>	-3 or -4C. Wind chill feeling like -15 to -18C on tops.
<b>Freezing Level</b>	Most terrain frozen, barely rising above zero inland valleys; just above freezing up to 300-400m nearest coasts and some sunlit southern slopes inland.

**All mountain areas of Britain from Saturday, 3 January, 2026**

Terrain extensively frozen this weekend and early next week ; sub-zero temperatures from the glens upward in Scotland and some valleys inland in northern England. Substantial fresh snow accumulations in the North West Highlands and Cairngorms, heavy showers streaming in from the north also containing hail. Largely dry and sunny from central Scotland to northern England. Hail and snow showers will run into north and west Wales from the sea . Bitter northerly winds, up to gale force higher tops, lessening somewhat during Sunday. Some fluctuation of freezing level during next week, though most high terrain stays sub-zero, and as fronts come in from the west, upland snowfalls are possible more widely.

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