

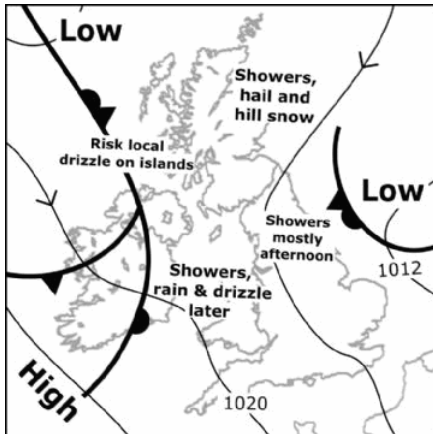
Southern Uplands

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, 17 April, 2024



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 17 April, 2024

Chilly northerly winds, tending to ease across the Highlands. Staying near or below freezing over higher tops. A scattering of hail and hill snow showers, focused over eastern Scotland, also Pennine areas by afternoon. Western Scotland mostly dry. Early showers for Wales turns into steadier rain in the west here by afternoon.

Headline for Southern Uplands

Windy start, easing. Isolated showers. Chilly.

Detailed Forecast for Wednesday, 17 April, 2024

How windy? (On the summits)	North to northwesterly 25 to 40mph at first, strongest Borders and Cheviots. Gradually easing into afternoon, 20-25mph in east, 15mph or later less in Galloway.
Effect of wind on you?	Considerable wind chill and blustery especially in the morning, buffeting for a time where exposed over higher eastern tops. Improving during day.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Local showers forming Scattered brief showers developing mostly into afternoon, especially in east, with soft hail, or snow flurries on highest tops. Chance of steadier drizzly rain grazing Galloway for a time during the day.
Cloud on the hills?	Hills mostly clear Patchy cloud on higher slopes in the morning, lifting above the tops.
Chance of cloud free summits?	80%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Some sunshine, but weak at times due to areas of high cloud. Visibility excellent.
How Cold? (at 750m)	-1C rising to +2C afternoon. Wind chill feeling like -10C early morning, locally colder in east; -5C afternoon.
Freezing Level	600m plus frost in sheltered valleys at first. Rising just above tops by afternoon. May lower back onto higher slopes by dusk.

Southern Uplands - Looking Ahead

	Thursday 18 April	Friday 19 April
How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	Westerly, strengthening during day 20 to 40mph, risk 50mph on highest tops by evening. Deteriorating to make walking arduous over higher terrain. Wind chill becoming considerable.	Northwesterly 25 to 35mph, strongest in east in morning, risk over 40mph for a time Cheviots. Considerable wind chill and blustery on exposed higher terrain, lessening a little during the day.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Drizzle developing, wetter later Patchy drizzly rain developing from the west during the day, becoming more persistent Galloway hills, but total amounts generally small. Risk steadier rain later afternoon into evening for a time.	Mostly dry Rare brief hail showers.
Cloud on the hills? Chance of cloud free summits?	Lowering in rain Varied patchy cloud on some slopes and mist some valleys from dawn. Many hills clear for several hours. Cloud bases lowering from west over tops later. 60%	Mostly very little Rare brief patches on higher slopes in morning likely to clear. 90%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Some weak sun for a time, best in east, giving way to thickening cloud, later dull. Visibility very good, reducing in rain later.	Broken cloud and sun. Visibility excellent.
How Cold? (at 750m) Freezing Level	1C rising to 4C. Wind chill feeling near -7C later in stronger winds. Slight frost some valleys and sheltered higher terrain at dawn. Otherwise above freezing to the summits.	1 to 4C, highest Galloway afternoon. Wind chill feeling like -5 to -8C. Close to freezing higher tops especially in the morning.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Thursday, 18 April, 2024

Briefly just above freezing to highest Scottish tops on Thursday daytime. A period of rain and drizzle preceded by snow on tops coming in from the west, wettest over western Scotland. By Thursday night, dropping back to freezing to 800m from the north. Staying near freezing over high tops into Friday with a scattering of brief hail showers on brisk northwesterly winds. A fine and milder weekend for many as high pressure builds. W-SW'ly breezes in northern Scotland with patchy rain in the northwest. High pressure stays nearby into next week, but cool northeasterly breezes are likely - near or below freezing on tops with overnight frost into glens. Sunny spells and scattered showers with hail and snow.

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