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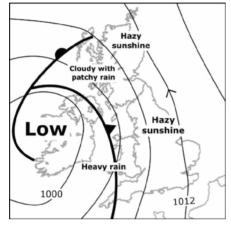
Southern Uplands

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, 30 April, 2024



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 30 April, 2024

Brisk southeasterly winds, up to gale force some tops; strengthening across the Highlands. A belt of rain draped across west coast of Scotland south from Skye, also affecting Galloway, and fairly persistent rain for west and south Wales. Drier further east and north with hazy sunshine. Fairly mild air.

Headline for Southern Uplands

Increasingly windy. Rain at times far west, dry, sunnier east.

Detailed Forecast for Tuesday, 30 April, 2024

How windy? (On the summits)	Southeasterly speeds varied: typically 20-30mph Borders, but toward and west of M74, reaching 35 to increasingly 40mph.	
Effect of wind on you?	Will impede ease of walking on higher areas, and toward Galloway give considerable buffeting and wind chill on some slopes.	
How wet?	Rain mostly far west	
(Precipitation and its impact)	East of M74: Generally dry. West of M74: Rain from time to time, amounting to little, but odd heavier bursts in Galloway.	
Cloud on the hills?	Mostly very little, more extensive Galloway	
	Fragments on higher slopes will clear most areas by mid morning. But in Galloway, particularly near the coast, fog may persist on the hills most of the day, sometimes below 300m near the coast and 450m well inland.	
Chance of cloud free summits?	30%	
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Occasional sun, mainly Borders, through layers of high level cloud. Good visibility although a haze, particularly Galloway.	
How Cold? (at 750m)	5C rising to 9C, although 7C Galloway, where will feel as cold as -5C directly in the wind.	
Freezing Level	Above the summits	

Southern Uplands - Looking Ahead

	Wednesday 1 May	Thursday 2 May
How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	East to southeasterly between 10 and 20mph. Small	Easterly 30mph to suddenly gusty 40-50mph around some tops, powerful gusts in passes and downslope to west. Widely very blustery, but expect sudden buffeting making walking arduous in places not just on higher terrain.
How wet?	A little rain here and there	Most places dry
(Precipitation and its impact)	Rain and drizzle on and off before dawn will continue into the day in some areas, but through the morning nearly all fizzle out. Risk scattered heavier showers afternoon.	A little drizzle if in cloud on eastern hills. Small chance of a shower.
Cloud on the hills?	All or nearly all clearing	Little west, risk foggy east
	Very varied cloud base from dawn, in places covering lowest slopes, whilst higher areas are between cloud layers. Slowly the cloud will break up in many areas, but near to North Sea low cloud may persist.	Western areas largely clear. Toward and east of the M74, banks of low cloud filtering inland from the North Sea, may persist with fog to some lower slopes.
Chance of cloud free summits?	20% rising to 80% away from east coast.	80% west, 30% eastern hills.
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Cloud layers gradually thinning and breaking to give a patchwork of sun. Excellent visibility, hazier toward east.	Sun and thin high cloud west, with very good visibility, perhaps slight haze. Hazier and risk murkier toward east.
How Cold? (at 750m)	6C to 10C, warmest east of M74 in afternoon.	6C eastern hills, to locally 10C in west. Feeling close to freezing directly in wind, locally sub-zero Cheviots.
Freezing Level	Above the summits.	Above the summits

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Wednesday, 1 May, 2024

High pressure to the north and a slow-moving area of low pressure circulating to the south during midweek. Scattered showers possible for the Highlands, but a lot of dry weather - warmest and clearest in the west. Powerful easterly winds will be very gusty by Thursday into early Friday, especially southern Scotland and northern England, then easing. A front brings a risk of persistent rain for Wales on Thursday. Slow-moving weather patterns are likely to continue onward into the Bank Holiday weekend, giving considerable uncertainty of local day-to-day detail, but most likely the wind often light and fairly warm overall. A good amount of dry and bright weather, but risk of locally thundery showers forming.

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