

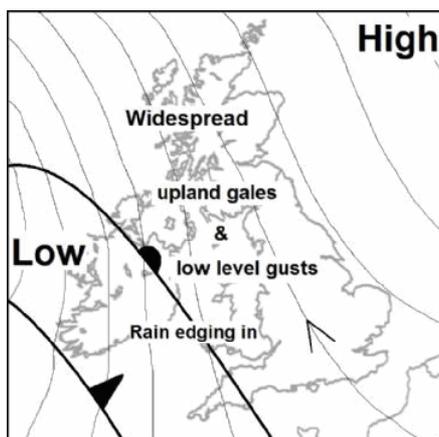
Southern Uplands

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 Monday, 15 April, 2019



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 15 April, 2019

Gale force southeasterly winds across all regions, giving significant wind chill across the hills. Powerful gusts to lower slopes. Most places dry and cloud above hills. Local showers and possible low cloud SE Scotland. Patchy rain also encroaching into Wales from southwest.

Headline for Southern Uplands

Cold, gales; very gusty. Dry, hills clear.

Detailed Forecast for Monday, 15 April, 2019

How windy? (On the summits)	Southeasterly 30 to 35mph Borders, to 40 or locally 45mph Galloway.
Effect of wind on you?	Walking arduous on higher areas. Local sudden gusts lower slopes northwest of major ridges. Significant wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Rain very unlikely Chance spots of rain or sleet on easternmost hills afternoon or evening.
Cloud on the hills?	Little if any west; risk local low cloud east. Possible banks of cloud may come inland from North Sea to cap Cheviots, perhaps increasingly so through day.
Chance of cloud free summits?	90%, later 60% east.
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Areas of sunshine although cloud will sometimes be extensive. Very good or excellent visibility; slight haze.
How Cold? (at 750m)	-1C rising to 3C. Where directly exposed to wind, feeling close to -15C.
Freezing Level	600m post dawn; rising above the summits by midday. Frost many valleys after dawn.

Southern Uplands - Looking Ahead

	Tuesday 16 April	Wednesday 17 April
How windy? (On the summits)	Southeast or easterly 20 to 25mph, locally 30mph; gusty near/west of major ridges.	East to southeasterly, 15 to 20mph.
Effect of wind on you?	Walking impeded in places, and notable chill where exposed on higher areas.	Fairly small, but locally gusty to lower slopes. Cool in exposure early in day.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Risk of rain mostly west Galloway hills: Rain intermittently through much of, or perhaps throughout daylight, the rain perhaps edging east toward M74 through day. Hills near the Lothians and The Cheviot	Rain unlikely Rare patches of drizzly rain around low cloud, but fading.
Cloud on the hills?	Very extensive Fog persistent around rain in west, below 500m in places. Confidence low into the Borders, where some low cloud may have come in from North Sea, but probably lifting.	Low cloud mostly east A risk of low cloud extensively covering the hills in morning, particularly Borders/Cheviots, where may lift only slowly. West toward Galloway, breaks forming more readily.
Chance of cloud free summits?	40%	40%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Sunshine may come through occasionally, mainly toward the Lothians. Persistent haze; visibility deteriorating further in rain.	Sunshine breaking through, but weak at times due to high level cloud. A general haze, murky eastern areas for a time.
How Cold? (at 750m)	2C eastern hills, rising to 4C Galloway.	4C rising to 7C.
Freezing Level	Above the summits.	Above the summits.

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Tuesday, 16 April, 2019**

High pressure stays positioned to the east, and a general southeasterly flow will prevail toward the Easter period. Temperatures will tend to rise through the week ahead. Substantially dry conditions, although on Tuesday a little rain or sleet is possible. Some low cloud, focused on eastern hills. Winds often brisk, in places gusty to lower slopes. The ground very dry underfoot - beware of grass fires. Snow patches on higher tops, mainly Lakes and Scottish Highlands.

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