

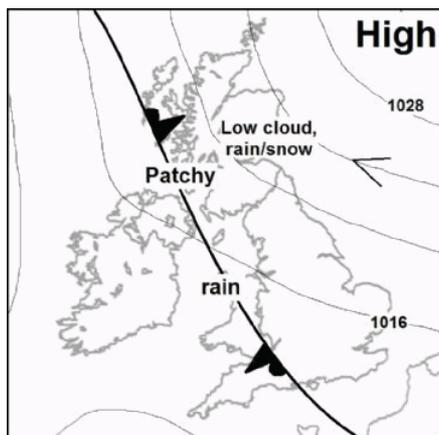
# Southern Uplands

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, 16 April, 2019



### British Mountain Summary:

**Based on forecast chart for noon 16 April, 2019**

A slow-moving front draped across western Britain brings a zone of patchy rain and drizzle, which locally may persist over many hours. Low cloud affects most hills, but good breaks in N Scotland, also Pennines. Brisk winds, feeling cold where exposed.

### Headline for Southern Uplands

Cool, windy. A little rain, mostly west. Varied low cloud.

## Detailed Forecast for Tuesday, 16 April, 2019

<b>How windy? (On the summits)</b>	Southeast or easterly 20 to 25mph, locally 30mph; gusty near/west of major ridges.
<b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	<b>Walking impeded in places, and notable chill where exposed on higher areas.</b>
<b>How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)</b>	<b>Patchy rain mostly west</b> Galloway hills: Rain intermittently through much of daylight; the rain edging east toward M74 through day. Hills near the Lothians and The Cheviot largely dry overall, with local patchy drizzle around low cloud.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>Varied, some very low cloud, local breaks</b> Some uncertainty: Fog persistent around rain in west, below 500m in places. In Borders/Cheviots, low cloud may have come in from North Sea, and risk persistently covering hills. Around Moffat hills, and up to Pentlands, breaks possible to many tops away from rain.
<b>Chance of cloud free summits?</b>	<b>40%</b>
<b>Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)</b>	Sunshine may come through occasionally, mainly toward the Lothians, weak due to high cloud. Persistent haze; visibility deteriorating further in rain.
<b>How Cold? (at 750m)</b>	2C eastern hills, rising to 4C Galloway. In the wind, feeling like -5C to locally -8C Cheviots.
<b>Freezing Level</b>	Above the summits.

## Southern Uplands - Looking Ahead

	Wednesday 17 April	Thursday 18 April
<b>How windy? (On the summits)</b>	East to southeasterly, 15 to 25mph.	Easterly, 25 to in places 35mph near/west of major summits/ridges.
<b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	<b>Fairly small, but locally gusty to lower slopes. Cool in exposure early in day.</b>	<b>Varied; local considerable buffeting, very gusty through passes, cols and to some lower slopes.</b>
<b>How wet?</b> (Precipitation and its impact)	<b>Rain unlikely</b> Rare patches of drizzly rain around low cloud, but fading.	<b>Rain not expected</b>
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>Low cloud mostly east</b>  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.	<b>Mostly very little</b>  Banks of cloud may cover some slopes for a few hours from dawn, locally slow to clear east of the M74, but likely to all break up.
<b>Chance of cloud free summits?</b>	<b>40%</b>	<b>70%</b>
<b>Sunshine?</b> Air clarity (below cloud)	Sunshine breaking through, but weak at times due to high level cloud. A general haze, murky eastern areas for a time.	Sunshine developing widely. Visibility good, but a haze.
<b>How Cold? (at 750m)</b>	4C rising to 7C.	5C rising to 8C.
<b>Freezing Level</b>	Above the summits.	Above the summits.

**Planning Outlook****All mountain areas of Britain from Wednesday, 17 April, 2019**

High pressure stays positioned to the east, and a warmer southeasterly flow prevails toward the Easter period. Temperatures rising day-on-day and it will be dry into the first part of the long weekend at least. Some low cloud, focused on eastern hills. Gusty winds at times to lower slopes, but likely dropping lighter for a day or two. By Sunday into Monday, fronts may approach from the Atlantic as winds turn southwesterly, with indications looking more unsettled next week. The ground very dry underfoot - beware of grass fires. Snow patches on higher tops, mainly Lakes and Scottish Highlands.

**Forecast issued at 15:44 on Monday, 15 April, 2019**

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