

Southern Uplands

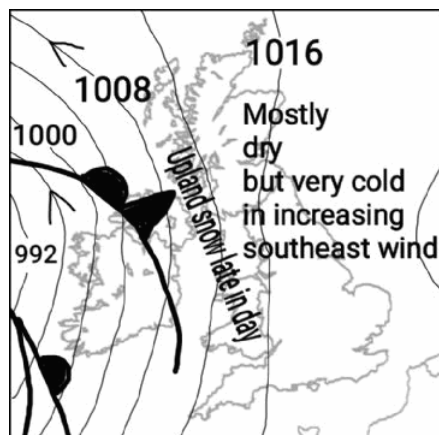
The Galloway hills eastward to the Lammermuir hills. The Cheviots (including higher hills within the adjacent Northumberland NP).



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General Summary for Wednesday, 6 December, 2023



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 6 December, 2023

After a hard frost, mostly dry and bright, but feeling increasingly bitterly cold as southeasterly winds strengthen and cloud thicken through the day ahead of a front, which will bring an increasing risk of upland snowfall, in across western mountains toward evening, and then spreading to all parts overnight.

Headline for Southern Uplands

Bitter chill in strengthening southeast winds. Dry, but snow soon after dusk.

Detailed Forecast for Wednesday, 6 December, 2023

How windy? (On the summits)	Southeasterly, strengthening through day from 20-30mph after dawn to 30-45mph before dusk. Strongest wind Galloway.
Effect of wind on you?	Walking increasingly difficult, in places on lower slopes, and feeling bitterly cold as wind chill becomes significant from west.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Dry much of day, but snow after dusk. Very likely dry through daylight, but then fronts edging in from southwest after dusk will bring increasing threat of persistent snow. Time of onset uncertain, most likely not until early evening - perhaps midnight Borders.
Cloud on the hills?	Hills cloud free; but may lower onto the hills later in the day. Most hills cloud free, possibly for much the day. But patchy cloud higher slopes east from Moffat will tend to lower toward 450m from late afternoon and increasingly cap higher tops westward toward Galloway.
Chance of cloud free summits?	90% lowering to 20% late in the day.
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Sunshine giving way from south as cloud thickens. Visibility very good although increasingly hazy and appalling in overnight snow.
How Cold? (at 750m)	-2C. Will feel as cold as minus 16C directly in the wind.
Freezing Level	Almost all terrain frozen.

All mountain areas of Britain from Thursday, 7 December, 2023

Unsettled conditions will prevail over the next week to 10 days, with periods of upland gales or severe gales with precipitation frequent, mostly rain, although intermittently snow Scottish Highlands, more rarely elsewhere. Driest conditions (relative to the average) will likely be in the northwest Highlands, given the often backed flow, as the low pressure areas track in.

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