

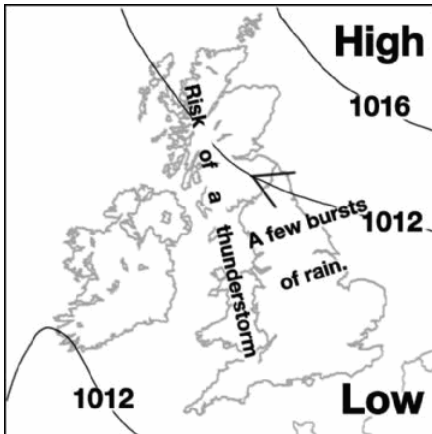
Southern Uplands

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, 21 May, 2024



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 21 May, 2024

Extensively dry with light wind. However, as cloud builds sunshine will tend to give way from southeast and here and there bursts of rain are likely. It will be warm, particularly on summits near the west coast, where scattered thunderstorms giving localised torrential rain.

Headline for Southern Uplands

Extensive sunshine morning. Risk thunderstorm Galloway afternoon.

Detailed Forecast for Tuesday, 21 May, 2024

How windy? (On the summits)	Morning: Southeast or easterly 15mph. Afternoon: Progressively becoming very light and direction varied.
Effect of wind on you?	Becoming negligible
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Risk thunderstorm Galloway One or two brief bursts of rain, most likely afternoon onwards, and in Galloway risk of thunderstorms giving heavy or torrential rain.
Cloud on the hills?	Little if any Summits all or almost all constantly cloud free. Nevertheless, fog likely to form on both lower and higher slopes in and after rain.
Chance of cloud free summits?	Almost certain
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Often sunny morning, but increasingly high cloud layers weakening the sun. Visibility excellent.
How Cold? (at 750m)	9C at dawn, lifting to 11 to 14C by mid afternoon (warmest Galloway).
Freezing Level	Above the summits

Southern Uplands - Looking Ahead

	Wednesday 22 May	Thursday 23 May
How windy? (On the summits)	Northerly, gradually strengthening from 10mph or perhaps less, to 20mph.	Low confidence in whole forecast: Northerly between 20 and 30mph - possibly 35mph higher tops Borders.
Effect of wind on you?	Negligible most or all morning; by evening, impeding ease of walking on some higher areas.	May well result in considerable wind chill and make walking strenuous, particularly on higher areas of borders.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Increasingly wet: risk thunderstorms. Bursts of heavy rain and in Galloway risk thunderstorms developing morning or middle of day. Timing uncertain, but generally deteriorating as the rain, thundery in places, becomes widespread or incessant.	Rain tending to clear A broad swath of rain will clear slowly from the west, although timing very uncertain. Galloway may clear during the morning.
Cloud on the hills?	Increasingly extensive Considerable variation both through the day and sometimes between adjacent summits. Generally deteriorating as cloud fills in following onset of rain, quite widely cloud forming on lower slopes. However, even in morning, patches of fog from some lower slopes up.	Very extensive, although cloud base rising from west Cloud may well blanket the mountains very widely from dawn. As rain eases, so cloud base will rise, perhaps clearing completely Galloway by midday and then slowly toward and east of M74.
Chance of cloud free summits?	40%	40%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Little or no sunshine - increasingly dull. Hazy, and visibility deteriorating markedly as rain develops.	Sunshine will tend to extend off the sea into Galloway, and then slowly toward or east of M74. Otherwise, cloudy. Poor visibility in rain but becoming very good from west.
How Cold? (at 750m)	10C	7C
Freezing Level	Above the summits	Above the summits.

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Wednesday, 22 May, 2024**

Low confidence on Wednesday and particularly Thursday. On Wednesday areas of thundery rain become increasingly widespread, although most or perhaps all of Wales will escape. By Thursday, there is uncertainty in positioning a north to south band of rain. It is most likely to be centred over eastern Britain, but edge away east only slowly. Beyond, after dry weather into the weekend, southerly winds will strengthen ahead of rain coming in off the Atlantic (again timing of this uncertain).

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