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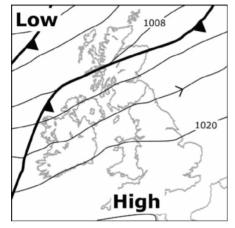
Southern Uplands

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 Thursday, 27 March, 2025



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 27 March, 2025

Widespread upland severe gales and rain across Scotland - although breaks in the rain some eastern and far northern areas (sometimes snow higher tops far north). South into England and Wales, less windy, particularly morning and away from hills open to the sea to the southwest, very little if any rain.

Headline for Southern Uplands

Upland severe gales developing. Rain - little N & E Borders.

Detailed Forecast for Thursday, 27 March, 2025

How windy? (On the summits)	Southwesterly, strengthening; by afternoon widely 40mph to on higher tops sometimes 55mph. Strenuous walking on higher areas, affecting balance where exposed, considerable buffeting in places. Significant wind chill.	
Effect of wind on you?		
How wet?	Rain or drizzle mostly Dumfries and Galloway	
(Precipitation and its impact)	Rain on and off all day - although amounting to little at first, and through the day Borders (especially toward The Cheviot and near the Lothians), where most often just 'spots in the wind'.	
Cloud on the hills?	Very extensive - except north and east Borders	
	Fog covering most mountains all day, forming widely from lower slopes up Dumfries and Galloway. Highest cloud base toward The Cheviot and near the Lothians, where cloud rare below 500 or 600m.	
Chance of cloud free summits?	Almost nil most of region; 80% toward Lothians	
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Rare pockets of sun near the Lothians. Visibility often poor; but very good toward Lothians and The Cheviot.	
How Cold? (at 750m)	4C. Feeling like -10C where exposed to the wind.	
Freezing Level	Above the summits	

Southern Uplands - Looking Ahead

	Friday 28 March	Saturday 29 March
How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	Westerly 35mph, squally near showers. Considerable wind chill. Frequent buffeting, especially near precipitation.	Increasingly windy after a morning lull - westerly around 20 or 25mph. Into afternoon southwest 30, perhaps 40mph. Anticipate walking becoming arduous or difficult and wind chill significant from west late in day.
How wet?	Hail showers, risk lightning	Threat rain - probably only late in day
(Precipitation and its impact)	Hail and snow showers, isolated thunder. Most of morning little precipitation Borders. Precipitation mostly rain below 600m.	Substantially dry. But will probably turn drizzly during afternoon (timing uncertain) Dumfries and Galloway and summits immediately east of the upper Tweed.
Cloud on the hills?	Frequently covering higher western tops.	Extensive, particularly in rain
	Cloud base changing in and out of showers: mostly above 700m, clearing tops periodically (especially east of M74), but patches below 500m in showers. Highest cloud base Cheviots, where summits rarely covered.	Cloud base typically 800m by late morning. Will then lower, mainly Dumfries and Galloway and immediately east of the upper Tweed, to around 400m (lower near Solway).
Chance of cloud free summits?	30%, but 90% Cheviots	40%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Ranging from bursts of sun west of M74 to patchwork of sun near Lothians and Cheviots. Haze, particularly west of M74; temporarily poor visibility in precipitation.	Patches of sunshine, mainly Borders will gradually give way as cloud thickens. Excellent visibility but dropping in rain.
How Cold? (at 750m)	1C. Will feel as cold as minus 10C directly in the wind.	Around 2C. Will feel as cold as minus 8C directly in the wind.
		wind.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Friday, 28 March, 2025

Frequently windy with intermittent rain (or widely snow and hail showers on Friday) until early next week. Pressure is then likely to build markedly over and east of Britain, bringing the return of dry and sometimes warm and sunny weather for much of next week.

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