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Southern Uplands

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

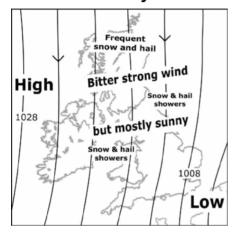


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General Summary for Wednesday, 19 November, 2025



British Mountain Summary: Based on forecast chart for noon 19 November, 2025

Strong to gale-force northerly winds; severe chill factor on the mountains. Terrain widely frozen with fresh snow cover. Snow and hail showers frequent in the northern Highlands. Showers also north/west Wales. From the central Highlands into northern England, generally dry with sunshine and very clear air.

Headline for Southern Uplands

Bitterly cold; wind to gale force on tops. Mostly sunny.

Detailed Forecast for Wednesday, 19 November, 2025

How windy? (On the summits)	Northerly 30 to 40mph, strongest over eastern tops, squally gusts in showers, may reach 50mph on The Cheviot.	
Effect of wind on you?	Challenging walking on exposed terrain, particularly eastern areas, more difficult higher Cheviots; significant wind chill.	
How wet?	Local snow showers east	
(Precipitation and its impact)	Snow and hail showers over the North Sea sometimes moving inland into the eastern Borders and Cheviots. Otherwise generally dry.	
Cloud on the hills?	Mostly clear, patches east	
	Patchy cloud grazing higher slopes mostly around The Cheviot, locally more frequently if showers occur. Many hills elsewhere clear all day.	
Chance of cloud free summits?	60% Cheviots, to 90% most areas.	
Sunshine?	Sunshine frequent many areas, more cloud furthest east.	
Air clarity (below cloud)	Visibility mostly excellent, locally reduced if in showers.	
How Cold? (at 750m)	-3C. Wind chill feeling like -15C.	
Freezing Level	Terrain widely frozen from valleys upward; inland only slight rise above freezing lower slopes; up to 400-500m near west coast.	

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Southern Uplands - Looking Ahead

	Thursday 20 November	Friday 21 November
How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	Northerly 35 to 40mph, risk 50mph Cheviots early morning, gradually lessening from west, later 25mph. Challenging walking conditions, frequent buffeting, easing from west with time; significant wind chill.	Friday 21 November West then southwesterly, strengthening during daytime - some uncertainty of timing - 20 to 35mph, risk later 40-45mph. Expect increasingly blustery conditions, later more strenuous with buffeting in exposure, considerable wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Local snow showers east Snow and hail showers over the North Sea sometimes moving inland from the coast into the eastern Borders and Cheviots, more likely midday into afternoon. Otherwise generally dry.	Little or no precipitation until after dark Most or all day likely dry. Later daytime, possible light snow or spots of rain near west coast. Into night, risk rain more widely, snow on higher terrain for a time.
Cloud on the hills?	Mostly clear, patches east Patchy cloud grazing higher slopes mostly around The Cheviot, locally more frequently in showers. Many hills further west clear all day.	Little if any Hills widely clear possibly all day. During afternoon, some patches may form on slopes nearer Solway coast.
Chance of cloud free summits?	60% east, to 90% central-western areas	80%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Sunshine frequent many areas, more cloud furthest east. Visibility mostly excellent, locally reduced if in showers.	Sun through high cloud, tending to thicken, may become obscured in west. Visibility excellent, possible mist or haze in some valleys.
How Cold? (at 750m)	-2C. Wind chill feeling like -15C in stronger speeds.	-1C, tending to rise from west to +1C, or slightly higher into night. In stronger wind feeling like -12C.
Freezing Level	Terrain widely frozen from valleys upward, only partial thawing lowest sunlit slopes, up to 400-500m nearest coasts.	Much terrain frozen all day to lower slopes, but from west later tending to rise above freezing, after dark to higher elevations.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Thursday, 20 November, 2025

Prepare for winter conditions - snow covering many mountains to lower slopes in Scotland, snow and ice cover varied for England & Wales, but much terrain frozen; hard frosts into inland valleys and glens the next couple of nights. Continuing strong northerlies into Thursday, showery snow and hail gradually fading from northwest Scotland. A front moving into Scotland from the west on Friday brings gales and snow, turning to rain lower down - in England & Wales more likely develops Friday evening-night. Less cold into the weekend, but higher mountains stay near or just below freezing, particularly Scotland; showers or locally more frequent upland snow over several days forward.

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