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Southern Uplands

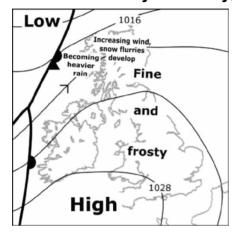
The Galloway hills eastward to the Lammermuir hills. The Cheviots (including higher hills within the adjacent Northumberland NP).



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General Summary for Friday, 21 November, 2025



British Mountain Summary: Based on forecast chart for noon 21 November, 2025

Terrain widely frozen after hard frost; snow cover across much upland terrain, or more substantial to lower slopes northern Highlands. A front moves into Scotland, snow then rain in west, cloud lowering. Elsewhere dry, sunshine weakening. Wind strengthening to gale force Scottish mountains.

Headline for Southern Uplands

Increasingly windy. Dry until late, then heavier rain evening.

Detailed Forecast for Friday, 21 November, 2025

How windy? (On the summits)	West then southwesterly, strengthening during daytime, 15mph or less morning, to 30mph afternoon, soonest Galloway; 40mph widely after dark.	
Effect of wind on you?	Increasingly blustery conditions, later more strenuous with buffeting in exposure, considerable wind chill.	
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Little or no precipitation until after dark A covering of snow over higher terrain, most widely toward north and east. Most or all day likely dry. Toward or beyond dusk, rain starting to encroach from west into Galloway, snow flurries for a time over higher slopes. More persistent heavier rain in night, particularly western hills.	
Cloud on the hills? Chance of cloud free summits?	Little if any Hills widely clear most or all day. During afternoon, some patches may form on slopes nearer Solway coast. 90%	
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	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)	-1C, slow rise, by later in day +1C in west, or +2C more widely into night. In stronger wind feeling like -12C.	
Freezing Level	Much terrain frozen all day to lower slopes, but from west later tending to rise, eventually just above freezing to higher elevations, after dark more widespread.	

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Southern Uplands - Looking Ahead

	Saturday 22 November	Sunday 23 November
How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	Southwesterly 30-40mph up to dawn in Cheviots, then westerly 20 to 25mph. Increasing SE'ly 30-40mph into night. Feeling noticeably breezy with marked wind chill; may start to affect ease of walking on highest exposed terrain.	Low confidence of detail: Wind direction and speed may change markedly, a possible lull, risk at times 30-40mph. Expect changing conditions, sometimes small, but beware of more challenging walking and considerable wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Light showers west Often dry, but occasional spots of light rain or brief light showers in west. Possibly remnants of overnight rain still to clear from Cheviots. Wet underfoot from overnight rain and snow melt. Rain returns into night.	Frequent or persistent rain, risk snow Areas of persistent rain circulating around a centre of low pressure, may set in for several hours constant rain, some heavier falls, possibly turning to snow above 500-600m for a time.
Cloud on the hills?	Fairly extensive, lifting variably Varied low cloud banks from dawn into morning, slowly lifting above 600m, with breaks forming best toward Lothians, but toward the Solway persists to 400-500m.	Extensive Shrouding most hills all day, at times widely from 400-600m upward, local breaks away from precipitation.
Chance of cloud free summits?	30%	10%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Rare glimpses of sun mostly north/east. Misty areas in morning, then visibility mostly good or locally becoming very good below cloud.	Largely cloudy. Visibility good where dry, but risk poor or very poor due to snow or rain.
How Cold? (at 750m)	2 or 3C. Feeling like -5C in exposure to wind.	0 to 2C. Risk feeling like -10C if exposed to stronger wind.
Freezing Level	Above the summits, but higher terrain at least partly frozen.	Likely to vary, may drop to 700m particularly in heavier precipitation, otherwise just above the tops.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Saturday, 22 November, 2025

Changes into the weekend as less cold Atlantic air moves in, but higher mountain terrain at least in Scotland staying frozen with snow cover. A complex area of low pressure circulates over Britain through the weekend, retreating to leave briefly northeasterly winds by Monday; areas of rain and some upland snow, mainly Scotland and high tops in northern England. Winds will vary markedly, some lulls, but risk periods of gales. A brief ridge of high pressure gives a lull by Tuesday, then a shift to milder southwesterlies is likely to bring spells of rain and some thawing to higher levels.

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