

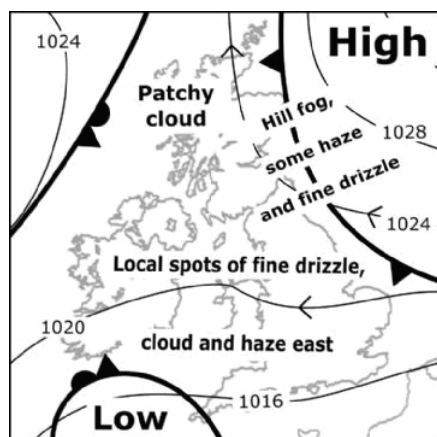
Southern Uplands

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, 23 December, 2025



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 23 December, 2025

A fairly extensive sheet of cloud cloaks eastern Scotland southward down the Pennines and east Wales; some mist and haze, fine drizzle on eastern slopes. Cloud more broken on slopes and summits near west coasts, substantially dry here. An easterly wind south Pennines and Wales, strengthening into night.

Headline for Southern Uplands

Summits shrouded, drizzly east; some breaks west

Detailed Forecast for Tuesday, 23 December, 2025

How windy? (On the summits)	Easterly 10 to 20mph, some stronger gusts over the Cheviot.
Effect of wind on you?	Fairly small, but some uncomfortable gusty spots over high eastern hills.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Patchy drizzle, mostly east Feeling generally damp with fine drizzle in fog over the eastern hills. A few drizzly spells possible west as well though these hills substantially dry.
Cloud on the hills?	Fairly extensive High terrain likely stays shrouded all day, bases often reaching middle slopes with lower patches in the east, locally into valley bottoms during drizzly periods. A few higher breaks western hills.
Chance of cloud free summits?	20%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Little or no sunshine. Variable visibility, sometimes good but fairly hazy, misty in places.
How Cold? (at 750m)	2 or 3C, coolest eastern hills; lowering slightly into night, may reach freezing on some higher eastern slopes.
Freezing Level	Above the summits; then dropping close to freezing on higher eastern slopes into night; exact altitude poorly defined.

Southern Uplands - Looking Ahead

	Wednesday 24 December	Thursday 25 December
How windy? (On the summits)	Easterly 20-25mph.	East-southeasterly 20-25mph, locally stronger on slopes nearest to the Solway; gusty in exposure.
Effect of wind on you?	Fairly small, though feeling uncomfortable in exposure.	Comfort of walking will be affected in exposure with some buffeting gusts; feeling chilly.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Substantially dry Small chance of some odd spots of rain in eastern areas in the morning, most hills entirely dry.	Most hills dry Some fine drizzle where in cloud around the Cheviot.
Cloud on the hills?	Mostly just high tops, more east Cloud banks often covering high terrain of the Cheviots and eastern Borders, lowest bases to 600m on eastern aspects. More broken to the west, largely just banks over high tops.	Mostly high terrain east, little west Banks of cloud come and go over the high tops of the eastern Borders and Cheviots (perhaps more persistently capping the Cheviot), only fleeting patches west of the M74, many Ayrshire hills clear.
Chance of cloud free summits?	40% east, 60% west	40% east to 70% west
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Intermittent sunshine west, more patchy east. Very good visibility, some haze east.	Glimpses of sunshine east, more often sunny west. Excellent visibility.
How Cold? (at 750m)	0 or +1C.	-1 or 0C. Feeling like -8C in direct wind.
Freezing Level	Around 800m in the east, above the summits west.	600-700m, some variability; poorly defined towards Ayrshire due to milder downslope winds.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Wednesday, 24 December, 2025

Christmas Eve and Christmas Day will be dry: easterly winds are dominant with the strongest winds in England and Wales. Cloud may be fairly sheet-like in the east sometimes, though variably more extensive or broken, best of breaks in western areas. Turning colder too, the coldest air in England and Wales with freezing levels reaching as low as 400-600m in east Wales. Staying slightly warmer in northern Scotland with some inversion conditions likely over higher terrain; frost into glens and poorly defined freezing levels.

High pressure stays put to the north into the weekend, maintaining dry weather, easterly winds, and most cloud in eastern areas. Temperatures will stay chilly.

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