Southern Uplands

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

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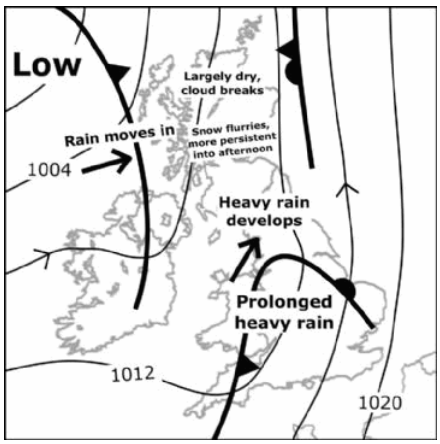
General Summary for Saturday, 28 November, 2026



British Mountain Summary:
Based on forecast chart for noon 28 November, 2026

Strong to gale force winds, significant chill factor. Snow flurries southern Highlands, persistent afternoon; drier northwards, some cloud breaks, otherwise blanket fog - rime ice on Scottish mountains, plus snow cover fairly widely, most substantial south. Heavy rain sets in widely over England and Wales.

Headline for Southern Uplands

Brisk but variable wind; patchy then steadier rain or wet snow.

Detailed Forecast for Saturday, 28 November, 2026

How windy? (On the summits)	Southerly, 25 to 35mph in morning, locally variable and gusty. Tending to lessen a little, but eastern hills may keep higher speeds into afternoon.
Effect of wind on you?	**Prepare for considerable wind chill, sometimes walking strenuous or in places more challenging on exposed high terrain.**
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	**Rain becomes persistent, possible snow** Patchy rain and some wet snow on tops in morning, then steadier rain increasingly develops from the south into the afternoon, some snowfalls still possible on higher eastern tops, but mostly turning wetter.
Cloud on the hills?	**Persistent across most hills** Extensive sheet of cloud shrouding the hills, in places to some lower elevations on south-facing slopes; some breaks between cloud banks mainly northern areas.
Chance of cloud free summits?	**10%**
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Overcast, dull and misty, hazy at best most lower terrain, locally brighter and better visibility toward the Lothians mainly in the morning; increasingly widely poor.
How Cold? (at 750m)	1 to 3C, rising slightly; small change with height. Risk of wind chill feeling like -6C, possibly -10C if speeds rise.
Freezing Level	Above the summits, but some higher slopes close to freezing point and terrain partly frozen, possibly icy.

Southern Uplands - Looking Ahead

	Sunday 29 November	Monday 30 November
How windy? (On the summits) **Effect of wind on you?**	Southwesterly, speeds varying during day, often in range 30 to 40mph, but risk 50mph+ at least in gusts for periods. **Expect strenuous walking conditions most of day, potentially more challenging at times; considerable wind chill.**	Southwesterly 50 to 70mph; marked rise of wind speed with increasing height, but some powerful gusts reaching low slopes. **Severe conditions most or all day on high terrain; challenging walking in places on lower hills with significant wind chill.**
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	**Rain for a time** A showery band of rain likely passes eastward during the morning, possibly heavy for an hour or so, with wet snow on higher slopes; then scattered showers.	**Prolonged rain, heavier west** Raining most of the day for Dumfries & Galloway, some incessant heavy falls; very wet underfoot, streams rising. Further north and east, often raining, but patchier amounts Lothians & Cheviots.
Cloud on the hills? **Chance of cloud free summits?**	**Sometimes covering tops** Varying patches over higher slopes, lowering over the tops more widely for a time in rain, then lifting and breaking again toward the tops. **40%**	**Extensive** Shrouding the hills widely above 600m, or lower at times near to Solway. Higher breaks occasionally furthest northeast. **10%**
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Glimpses of sun at times. Visibility intermittently very good, but poor in rain.	Overcast and murky especially west. Hazy at best, visibility mostly poor due to rain.
How Cold? (at 750m) **Freezing Level**	2 or 3C. Feeling like -10C in stronger wind. Above freezing to the summits.	Rising from before dawn up to 7C, then little change all day. Feeling like -7C in the wind. Well above freezing to highest summits; any previously frozen terrain will all thaw.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Sunday, 29 November, 2026

Southwesterly upland gales on Sunday, severe for a time on high tops; a showery mix of rain and snow passing eastwards. Then severe gales widely on the mountains by Monday, storm-force higher terrain, accompanied by incessant heavy rain focused on western Scotland and a rapid thaw - the rain sets in for England & Wales too, persistent here into Tuesday - expect flooding and some routes to be impassable. Dropping back sub-zero on Scottish tops by Tuesday & Wednesday, with a showery mix of rain, snow and hail. High pressure then builds later in the week - drier conditions for a time, but a mixed west-southwesterly may persist or soon return for Scotland; temperatures varying.

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