

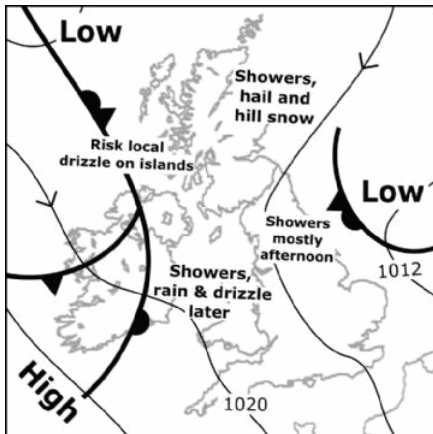
Lake District

The entire Lake District National Park, taking in all major summits, including Scafell, Helvellyn, Skiddaw, the Langdales and Old Man of Coniston.



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General Summary for Wednesday, 17 April, 2024



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 17 April, 2024

Chilly northerly winds, tending to ease across the Highlands. Staying near or below freezing over higher tops. A scattering of hail and hill snow showers, focused over eastern Scotland, also Pennine areas by afternoon. Western Scotland mostly dry. Early showers for Wales turns into steadier rain in the west here by afternoon.

Headline for Lake District

Chilly brisk wind, lessening. Isolated brief showers.

Detailed Forecast for Wednesday, 17 April, 2024

How windy? (On the summits)	North to northwesterly 25-30mph in morning. Easing a little into afternoon to around 20mph, at times 15mph in west.
Effect of wind on you?	Considerable wind chill and blustery over exposed tops in the morning. Improving during day, but remaining chilly on higher fells.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Local showers forming Scattered brief showers developing mostly into afternoon, with soft hail, and snow flurries on highest tops.
Cloud on the hills?	Fells mostly clear Patchy cloud on higher slopes in the morning, lifting above the tops.
Chance of cloud free summits?	80%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Some sunshine, but weak at times due to areas of high cloud. Visibility excellent.
How Cold? (at 750m)	-1C rising to +3C afternoon. Wind chill feeling like -8C on higher fells early in day, -2C afternoon.
Freezing Level	600m plus frost in sheltered valleys at first. Rising just above tops by afternoon. May lower back onto higher slopes by dusk.

Lake District - Looking Ahead

	Thursday 18 April	Friday 19 April
How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	Westerly, strengthening during day, 20mph or perhaps less early morning, to 40mph, then 50mph on highest tops by afternoon. Deteriorating especially into afternoon to make walking arduous over higher terrain. Wind chill becoming considerable.	Northwesterly 25 to 35mph, strongest in morning, risk over 40mph at dawn. Considerable wind chill and blustery on exposed higher terrain, lessening a little during the day.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Drizzly rain later Several hours largely dry, but pockets of drizzle developing mostly afternoon into evening, risk later more persistent drizzly rain arriving from the northwest.	Mostly dry Rare brief hail showers.
Cloud on the hills?	Patches mostly west Varied patchy cloud on some slopes and mist some valleys from dawn. Largely clearing, but some banks may linger over western fells. Lowering by evening in rain.	Lifting above hills Patches on higher slopes for time, but likely to clear.
Chance of cloud free summits?	60%	80%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	A little sun, best in east Lakes. High cloud building, later more overcast. Visibility very good, reducing in rain later.	Broken cloud and sun. Visibility excellent.
How Cold? (at 750m) Freezing Level	1C rising to 4 or 5C. Wind chill feeling near -7C later in stronger winds. Slight frost some valleys and sheltered higher terrain at dawn. Otherwise above freezing to the summits.	2 to 4C. Wind chill feeling like -5 to -8C. Close to freezing highest tops especially in the morning.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Thursday, 18 April, 2024

Briefly just above freezing to highest Scottish tops on Thursday daytime. A period of rain and drizzle preceded by snow on tops coming in from the west, wettest over western Scotland. By Thursday night, dropping back to freezing to 800m from the north. Staying near freezing over high tops into Friday with a scattering of brief hail showers on brisk northwesterly winds. A fine and milder weekend for many as high pressure builds. W-SW'ly breezes in northern Scotland with patchy rain in the northwest. High pressure stays nearby into next week, but cool northeasterly breezes are likely - near or below freezing on tops with overnight frost into glens. Sunny spells and scattered showers with hail and snow.

Forecast issued at 16:30 on Tuesday, 16 April, 2024

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