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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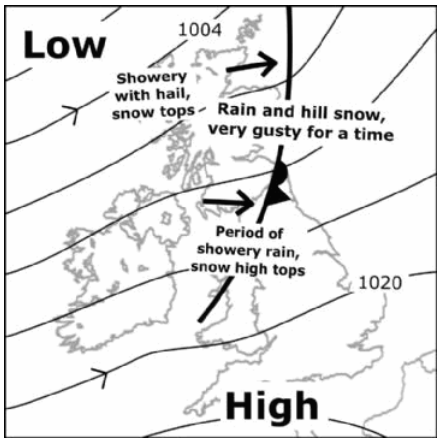
General Summary for Sunday, 29 November, 2026



British Mountain Summary:
Based on forecast chart for noon 29 November, 2026

Southwesterly winds often gale-force on higher mountains with significant chill factor; more severe gusts for a time. A band of showery rain passes eastwards in the morning, snow on higher tops; showers follow into western areas, some hail mixed in. Snow cover on many Scottish mountains.

Headline for Lake District

Windy, gales high fells; showery.

Detailed Forecast for Sunday, 29 November, 2026

How windy? (On the summits)	Southwesterly, speeds varying during day, 30mph to often 40mph higher fells in morning, squally gusts 50mph for a few hours; easing a little afternoon, then speeds rising significantly into night.
Effect of wind on you?	**Frequent buffeting over high terrain, more challenging for a time, then moderating a little in afternoon. Considerable wind chill.**
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	**Heavy bursts of rain for a time** Early showers, then a band of rain passes eastward during the morning to midday, heavy for an hour or so, with wet snow on higher slopes, also hail. Then scattered showers. Very wet underfoot after previous rain, streams in spate.
Cloud on the hills?	**Often covering high tops** Varying cloud extent, but likely to often cap tops above 800m, particularly southwestern areas, lowering further in rain. Occasional higher breaks north.
Chance of cloud free summits?	**30%**
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Brief glimpses of sun at times mostly north. Visibility intermittently very good, but poor in rain.
How Cold? (at 750m)	3C. Feeling like -10C in stronger wind.
Freezing Level	Above freezing to tops.

Lake District - Looking Ahead

	Monday 30 November	Tuesday 1 December
How windy? (On the summits)	Southwesterly 50 to 70mph, tending to increase during the day; marked rise of speed with height, gusty lower down.	Southwesterly 50 to 70mph possibly all day; marked increase of speed with height, powerful gusts around high passes.
Effect of wind on you?	**Increasingly severe conditions on high terrain; challenging walking in places on lower hills with significant wind chill.**	**Severe conditions potentially all daylight over higher fells, challenging walking and sudden gusts on some lower slopes.**
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	**Heavy rain developing** Rain may start light and patchy, but soon persistent falls likely to set in widely, the more incessant heavy rain focused on southwestern fells. Increasingly very wet underfoot, streams in spate.	**Risk of constant heavy rain** Rain likely to continue from overnight into the daytime, sustained heavy falls expected, particularly southwestern fells; may only fade by evening into night. Streams in spate, expect flooding.
Cloud on the hills?	**Increasingly extensive** Varied cloud banks at first, but soon likely shrouding the hills widely above 600m, or lower at times near to coast. Highest breaks occasionally near Ullswater.	**Extensive** Blanket low cloud across the fells all day, to lower slopes south and west areas.
Chance of cloud free summits?	**10%**	**Below 10%**
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Overcast and becoming murky. Hazy at best, visibility increasingly mostly poor due to rain.	Overcast and dull, poor visibility widely.
How Cold? (at 750m)	Rising from before dawn up to 7C, then little change all day. Feeling like -7C in the wind.	8C, likely all daylight, then lowering quickly by evening into night. Wind chill feeling near -5C.
Freezing Level	Well above freezing to highest summits; any previously frozen terrain will all thaw.	Above the summits most likely all day. Perhaps only later evening, then dropping toward 900m.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Monday, 30 November, 2026

A near-total thaw of snow cover early in the new week as southwesterly winds bring much milder air, well above freezing to tops Monday-Tuesday; severe gales widely on the mountains, storm-force higher terrain, accompanied by incessant heavy rain reaching all western mountains of Britain - expect flooding and some routes to be impassable.
Dropping back sub-zero on Scottish tops by Tuesday into 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.

Forecast issued at 7:30 on Sunday, 29 November, 2026

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