

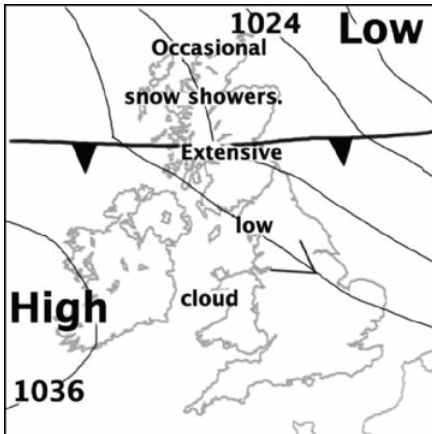
# Lake District

Includes the whole of Cumbria, and also the western Pennines North from Ingleborough.



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## General Summary for Friday, 21 April, 2017



**British Mountain Summary:  
Based on forecast chart for noon 21 April, 2017**

Upland gales or near gales as a southward moving front approaches. Fog extensive many western mountains, and some rain (snow higher tops), mainly near the front. Total rainfall small. South Wales dry with light wind. Turning cold Scottish Highlands with snow showers.

**Headline for Lake District**

Windy; dull, fog widespread. A little rain.

## Detailed Forecast for Friday, 21 April, 2017

<b>How windy? (On the summits)</b>	Westerly 30 to 35mph.
<b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	<b>Widespread buffeting on higher areas.</b>
<b>How wet?</b>	<b>Occasional rain toward evening.</b> Frequently dry. Nevertheless, a little rain here and there and toward evening a weak front is likely to give about an hour of steadier rain.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>Shrouding the fells most or all day</b> Cloud extensive on higher eastern fells, whilst on central and western fells, cloud will form across the hills, often lower slopes. Will break up only into the evening from north.
<b>Chance of cloud free summits?</b>	<b>Almost nil, although 10% eastern fells</b>
<b>Sunshine and air clarity?</b>	Rare sun only eastern valleys. Frequently very good visibility below cloud; but fog persistent on most fells.
<b>How Cold? (at 750m)</b>	5C.
<b>Freezing Level</b>	Above the summits.

## Lake District - Looking Ahead

	<b>Saturday 22 April</b>	<b>Sunday 23 April</b>
<b>How windy? (On the summits)</b>	Northwesterly 10 to 15mph.	Westerly strengthening from 20 or 25mph to in the afternoon around 35mph. Perhaps 40mph evening.
<b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	<b>Mostly negligible</b>	<b>Will increasingly make walking arduous on higher areas.</b>
<b>How wet?</b>	<b>Isolated hail showers</b> A few brief showers with hail and on highest tops snow flurries, mainly Pennines.	<b>Rain and drizzle rarely</b> Drizzle or light rain now and again, mainly or only west Cumbria.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>Very little</b>	<b>Rarely if ever clearing higher areas</b>  Cloud will shroud the mountains all or nearly all day, from lower slopes up coastal slopes. Over east Cumbria (east of about Helvellyn), most cloud above 600m with breaks to 800m.
<b>Chance of cloud free summits?</b>	<b>80%</b>	<b>20%</b>
<b>Sunshine and air clarity?</b>	Bursts of bright sunshine. Superb visibility.	Sunshine rare, mainly eastern lower slopes. Fog across the mountains although often very good visibility below cloud.
<b>How Cold? (at 750m)</b>	2C	4C.
<b>Freezing Level</b>	Above the summits.	Above the summits.

**Planning Outlook****All mountain areas of Britain from Saturday, 22 April, 2017**

Over the weekend, a few snow and hail showers on Saturday before cloud shrouds western mountains on Sunday, when winds strengthen and rain (snow higher tops) spreads south across Scotland.

An abrupt change from Monday: Winds persistently northerly and intermittently near gale force will bring markedly low freezing levels. Snow and hail showers (sometimes very frequent or almost constant snow for a few hours particularly N Scotland) - even on some lower slopes as summit temperatures drop lower than at any time this winter.

**Forecast issued at 7:19 on Friday, 21 April, 2017**

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