

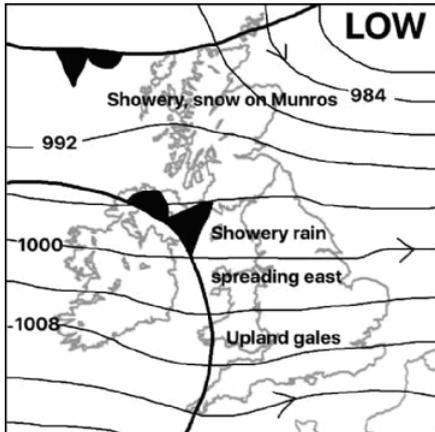
Lake District

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General Summary for Saturday, 8 December, 2018



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 8 December, 2018

Scotland: Gales easing from west. Areas of showery rain, snow over the Munros, will be most frequent in morning across the NW Highlands and N Cairngorms. Cloud extensive across higher areas.

England and Wales: Widespread gales resulting in significant wind chill. Showery rain spreading across all areas into afternoon.

Headline for Lake District

Severe gales/wind chill from dawn, slowly easing. Showers then rain.

Detailed Forecast for Saturday, 8 December, 2018

How windy? (On the summits)	Westerly 50-70mph post dawn, will ease to between 35-50mph; lowest speeds broadly centred middle of day.
Effect of wind on you?	Walking frequently arduous or difficult on higher areas, and for a very difficult around dawn. Significant, or at first severe, wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Showers then rain. Risk of local bands of showers morning, otherwise largely or completely dry until into afternoon when rain will develop then set in from west; sleet only highest tops.
Cloud on the hills?	Never clearing most summits There may be breaks to higher fells middle of day and into the afternoon. But overall, fog persistent higher fells, sometimes the cloud below 550m, particularly west and south Lakes, where in rain patches will form below 300m.
Chance of cloud free summits?	20%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Rare glimpses of sun lower slopes morning. Constant haze.
How Cold? (at 750m)	3C
Freezing Level	Above the summits.

Lake District - Looking Ahead

	Sunday 9 December	Monday 10 December
How windy? (On the summits)	Northwesterly, 25 to 30 perhaps 35mph. Risk briefly stronger post-dawn.	Northwesterly 25-30mph, backing westerly in afternoon and easing to 15-20mph.
Effect of wind on you?	Walking impeded and significant wind chill where exposed on higher areas.	Significant wind chill at dawn, soon easing.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Largely dry A chance of remnants of rain, or snow on higher tops after dawn, but clearing southwards. Isolated brief snow or hail showers may affect western fells. Otherwise dry.	A few showers A few showers or patches of light rain, initially snow highest tops, through the day, particularly around dawn and again perhaps toward dusk.
Cloud on the hills?	Breaks to higher tops Risk of early cloud shrouding the fells for a few hours, but should break up to leave just patches occasionally capping higher summits.	May shroud higher areas much of day Banks of cloud on the hills from dawn, may or may not break and clear above 700-800m. Towards dusk, cloud may become increasingly extensive.
Chance of cloud free summits?	60%	30%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Occasional sunshine breaking through. Visibility mostly very good.	A few glimpses of sun, mainly across eastern hills in morning. Visibility often good, but lowering in showers and more widely towards dusk.
How Cold? (at 750m)	1 or 2C.	1C lifting to 3C
Freezing Level	900m or above, likely to lower toward 750m.	800-900m at dawn, rising.

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Sunday, 9 December, 2018**

Next week, a few showers/snow flurries in the west on Monday with banks of low cloud, largely fine, but cold in the east/northeast. From Tuesday onwards, unsettled conditions are likely to come back in from the Atlantic bringing bouts of gales and rain for all areas, and at times upland snow in the north as freeze-thaw cycles occur across the Scottish Highlands. Across England and Wales, temperatures occasionally below freezing.

Forecast issued at 14:54 on Friday, 7 December, 2018

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