

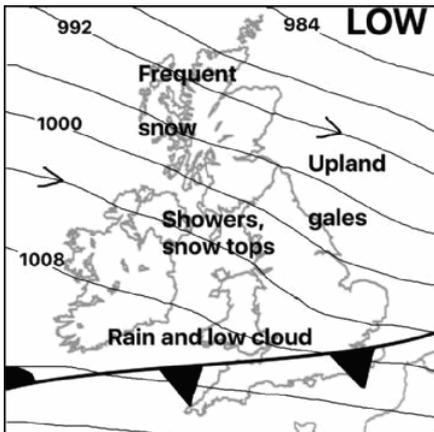
# Snowdonia National Park

Includes all summits in the the northern half of Wales from Plynlimon northwards.



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## General Summary for Friday, 15 March, 2019



### British Mountain Summary:

**Based on forecast chart for noon 15 March, 2019**

Upland gales will bring difficult conditions across the hills with significant/severe wind chill. Frequent snow/hail showers will drive across Scotland through the day, risk thunder in north. Further south, extensive low cloud and rain will edge south to become largely confined to south Wales in afternoon. Showers following to north England, snow on tops.

### Headline for Snowdonia National Park

Upland gales/significant chill. Rain easing to isolated afternoon showers.

## Detailed Forecast for Friday, 15 March, 2019

<b>How windy? (On the summits)</b>	Westerly in the range 45 to 60mph. Will ease to 25-30mph later in the afternoon.
<b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	<b>Walking widely arduous or difficult with significant buffeting and wind chill. Conditions easing later in afternoon.</b>
<b>How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)</b>	<b>Morning rain easing, then isolated showers</b> Rain at dawn will slowly ease to the south through the morning. By afternoon, a few showers likely; particularly across western hills. Very wet underfoot from previous rain.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>Extensive, lifting to higher areas afternoon.</b> Shrouding the hills extensively during rain, from lower slopes up toward west coast. Rare breaks to 600m or above, mostly confined toward Berwyn Mountains. Into afternoon, bases generally becoming confined above 700-900m with good breaks in the east.
<b>Chance of cloud free summits?</b>	<b>20%, morning, 50% afternoon.</b>
<b>Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)</b>	Rare if any sun. A general haze, and visibility reduced significantly by rain.
<b>How Cold? (at 900m)</b>	3 to 5C, lowering towards 0C by late afternoon. Feeling closer to -15C in direct exposure to the wind.
<b>Freezing Level</b>	Above the summits, but lowering to 900m later in afternoon.

## Snowdonia National Park - Looking Ahead

	<b>Saturday 16 March</b>	<b>Sunday 17 March</b>
<b>How windy? (On the summits)</b> <b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	Low confidence: Southwesterly 40-60mph, becoming northwesterly 15-25mph later in the day. <b>Walking likely arduous or difficult for much of the day with significant wind chill.</b>	Northwesterly 25-30mph, perhaps later 35mph. <b>Will impede walking at times across higher areas with significant wind chill and marked buffeting.</b>
<b>How wet?</b> (Precipitation and its impact)	<b>Rain much of the day, heaviest in the west.</b> Rain through much of the day. Persistent and often heavy in the west where conditions very wet underfoot. Rain will ease at times across east Wales. Rain clearing to showers by late afternoon, these falling as snow above 500m.	<b>Frequent snow and hail showers</b> Snow/hail sometimes frequent, mostly as showers, but across Snowdon Range risk of precipitation rarely ceasing over an hour or two, giving whiteout. Isolated thunder. Snow to lower slopes at first, but increasing rain below 600m in afternoon.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>Extensive</b>  Cloud is likely to be extensive across the hills for much of the day; to lower slopes across western hills. However, some fleeting breaks to tops across East Wales.	<b>Extensively covering higher areas</b>  Cloud base continually changing; often shrouding areas above 700 to 900m, lowest Snowdon range, but abruptly below 500m near showers, lowering for several hours where precipitation becomes frequent.
<b>Chance of cloud free summits?</b>	<b>20%</b>	<b>30%</b>
<b>Sunshine?</b> Air clarity (below cloud)	Rare, if any, glimpses of sun; mainly in the east.  Visibility mostly poor due to low cloud and rain, but at times good in the east.	Occasional bursts of sun between showers, mostly away from Snowdon Range. Visibility at times very good, but often very poor due to snow with risk of whiteout.
<b>How Cold? (at 900m)</b>  <b>Freezing Level</b>	4C, lowering to -2C by late afternoon.  Above the summits, but lowering to 700m by late afternoon.	-4C, lifting to -1C by the end of the day.  400-500m at first, lifting to 800m by end of the day.

**Planning Outlook****All mountain areas of Britain from Saturday, 16 March, 2019**

Despite significant uncertainties on track, an area of low pressure will move in on Saturday with bring widespread precipitation, low cloud and upland gales across many hills. Snow is expected to fall across higher parts of the North Pennines/Lakes for a time, but more widely, and to low levels, across the Southern Uplands and later central/southern Highlands. By Sunday, northwest winds will bring snow showers across many hills, increasingly rain to lower slopes through day. Largely fine on Monday, but low cloud and rain will reach western hills late on. This will then herald a change to milder, cloudier and across Scotland damp conditions through the middle of the week with a period of sustained thaw.

**Forecast issued at 16:37 on Thursday, 14 March, 2019**

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