

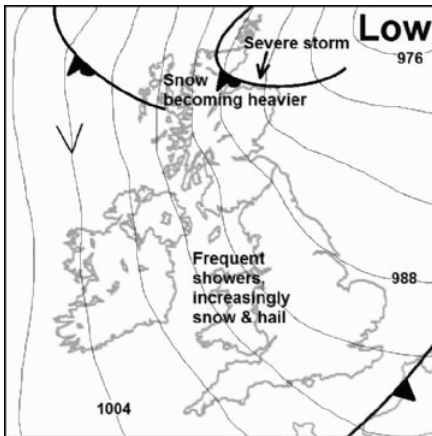
Lake District

The entire Lake District National Park, taking in all major summits, including Scafell, Helvellyn, Skiddaw, the Langdales and Old Man of Coniston. Also includes the Howgill Fells east of Kendal (the NW extension of Yorks Dales).



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General Summary for Friday, 26 November, 2021



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 26 November, 2021

A severe storm moves into Scotland from the north. Mountain gales strengthening to hurricane-force afternoon into evening. Snow setting in heavier in the north, falling to increasingly lower levels and spreading further south later. Frequent heavy showers for Wales with hail, risk thunder. Drier S Scotland & N England with some sun.

Headline for Lake District

Gales later severe. Heavy showers, snow or hail.

Detailed Forecast for Friday, 26 November, 2021

How windy? (On the summits)	Northwesterly 45mph, by dusk 55mph. Sudden strong gusts, particularly near precipitation. Over 70mph later evening into night.
Effect of wind on you?	Increasingly severe wind chill and very difficult walking conditions, including sudden gusts.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Snow showers, sometimes heavy Showers, sometimes frequent coming in from the northwest, but some drier intervals. Snow increasingly as low as 350m. Temporary whiteout. Hail and small risk thunder. During evening into night, risk of more widespread snow spreading in from the north.
Cloud on the hills?	Very extensive Cloud extensively shrouding the hills, the base changing quickly from 300 to 450m near precipitation, lowest near the coast. Breaks, often fleeting, to 700m mostly southeastern fells.
Chance of cloud free summits?	20%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Rare glimpses of sun only. Visibility often appalling or perhaps near zero, although good between showers. Changes in visibility will be rapid.
How Cold? (at 750m)	1C dropping to -1C. Wind chill near -15C, later -20C as severe winds develop.
Freezing Level	900m dropping to 650m by dusk, then toward lower slopes after dark.

Lake District - Looking Ahead

	Saturday 27 November	Sunday 28 November
How windy? (On the summits)	Northerly 40 to 55mph; tending to drop marginally through day.	Northerly 25 to 40mph, may lessen through day.
Effect of wind on you?	Difficult conditions. Considerable buffeting on lower fells; at times general mobility difficult on tops. Severe wind chill.	Significant wind chill, risk of considerable buffeting for periods on higher fells.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Risk snow showers Snow showers or flurries from time to time. Blowing snow from overnight falls higher areas, in places also lying lower down.	Precipitation unlikely
Cloud on the hills?	Summits often cloud free Occasionally cloud below 600m but often cloud base near or above higher fells.	Little if any Rare fragments some higher slopes.
Chance of cloud free summits?	70%	80%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Patches of sunshine. Visibility very good although hazy due to areas of blowing snow many higher areas.	Extensively sunny. Superb visibility.
How Cold? (at 750m)	-3C. Wind chill as cold as -17C.	-2C. Wind chill as cold as -15C.
Freezing Level	Close to freezing point with lying snow in places below 300m in morning; rising just above zero to around 450m during day.	Near or below freezing to lower slopes, rising slowly up to 400-500m; soon frosty into valleys from sunset.

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Saturday, 27 November, 2021**

Very cold this weekend with northerly gales or storm-force winds. Severe wind chill conditions on higher mountains on Saturday. Easing gradually from the west into Sunday. Snow showers focused on north-facing mountains, sometimes frequent or merging to constant falls for a few hours. Areas of sunshine and clear air away from showers.

Next week, west to northwesterly winds prevail. Precipitation frequent, with further bouts of upland gales or severe gales. Temperature will vary, lifting above freezing to highest summits early in the week. Colder again by midweek, then cycles of freeze & thaw are likely into next weekend, although mountains in England & Wales only temporarily sub-zero.

Forecast issued at 14:54 on Thursday, 25 November, 2021

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