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Lake District

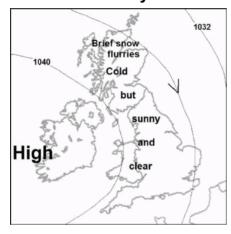




The entire Lake District National Park, taking in all major summits, including Scafell, Helvellyn, Skiddaw, the Langdales and Old Man of Coniston. Also includes the Howgill Fells east of Kendal (the NW extension of Yorks Dales).

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General Summary for Thursday, 20 January, 2022



British Mountain Summary: Based on forecast chart for noon 20 January, 2022

A cold day, much terrain frozen, including frost in sheltered valleys. Brisk N-NW'ly winds, up to gale force on eastern tops in the morning, giving significant chill factor on higher areas. A few snow flurries in northern Scotland, but most places dry with sunshine and most hills free of low cloud.

Headline for Lake District

Cold, blustery. Dry, hills clear, sunshine.

Detailed Forecast for Thursday, 20 January, 2022

How windy? (On the summits)	North to northwesterly 15 to 20mph, but locally nearer 30mph higher tops in north and eastern Lakes for a few hours in the morning.	
Effect of wind on you?	May impede walking at times across higher slopes with considerable wind chill, especially in the morning.	
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	No precipitation expected	
Cloud on the hills?	None expected	
	Hills are expected to be widely clear through the day.	
Chance of cloud free summits?	Greater than 90%	
Sunshine?	Fairly extensive sunshine. Some high cloud later in day.	
Air clarity (below cloud)	Visibility excellent.	
How Cold? (at 750m)	-3 or -4C most of daylight, starting to rise a little from west into evening. Wind chill as cold as -12C in the strongest winds.	
Freezing Level	Terrain widely frozen from lower slopes upwards; partial daytime thawing where in sunlight up to about 400-500m.	

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Lake District - Looking Ahead

	Friday 21 January	Saturday 22 January
How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	Northwesterly 15-20mph, but risk in places 30mph; the strongest winds not necessarily on the highest tops. Fairly small, but blustery or suddenly gusty on some slopes, including	Westerly, in range 15 to 30mph, strongest winds not just on higher slopes, sudden gusts in places near/east of major tops. Varied, sometimes small, but in places expect sudden buffeting on higher and
you.	through passes and east of major summits.	some lower slopes, locally very gusty.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Precipitation not expected	Precipitation not expected
Cloud on the hills?	Covering some slopes, high tops clear	Patchy low cloud
	Banks of cloud may drift onto some slopes, mainly in west and north Lakes, although higher summits likely to poke out above cloud. Less cloud further east.	Banks of low cloud covering some slopes, most common western areas, but higher tops at times emerging above cloud layers. May largely break up for periods. Eastern areas often clearer.
Chance of cloud free summits?	60%	60%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Areas of sunshine and broken cloud. Visibility mostly excellent.	Intermittent sun, most frequent toward east. Visibility very good away from cloud.
How Cold? (at 750m)	Starting around or below 0C, tending to rise to 2 or 3C away from cloud banks.	2 or 3C, but near or just below 0C some fells early morning and if in low cloud.
Freezing Level	Frost in most valleys from dawn. Higher terrain also at least partly frozen, but air temperature rising above zero.	Air temperature mostly just above freezing point, but some upland terrain frozen or partly frozen. Also frost some valleys.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Friday, 21 January, 2022

High pressure extends back across Britain later this week to become centred over England and Wales into the weekend and next week, allowing westerly winds to influence Scotland. Temperatures will drift back above freezing point on most hills from Friday, although some western slopes will stay close to zero where in cloud banks. Inversion conditions varied from day to day, with high tops lying above or sometimes between cloud layers. Frost in some valleys, less so in the north & west. Mostly small amounts of precipitation in the week ahead. Where snow exists on high tops, beware of compacted hard snow and ice. Strongest winds toward the northern Highlands, at times gale force and very gusty.

Forecast issued at 15:17 on Wednesday, 19 January, 2022

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