

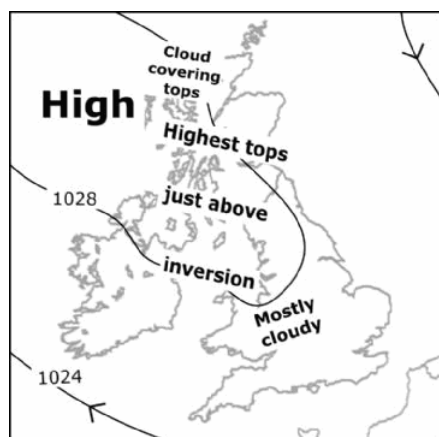
Lake District

The entire Lake District National Park, taking in all major summits, including Scafell, Helvellyn, Skiddaw, the Langdales and Old Man of Conistone.



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General Summary for Thursday, 16 October, 2025



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 16 October, 2025

Higher mountain tops particularly in the southern half of the Highlands remain above an inversion; low-level cloud rising, locally thinning gradually. Further north and especially northwest, cloud will cloak upper slopes. In the Lakes and Snowdonia, very highest summits also near or just above the cloud-top.

Headline for Lake District

Cloud covering many fells, inversion near highest tops. Light winds.

Detailed Forecast for Thursday, 16 October, 2025

How windy? (On the summits)	Variable 10mph, often less. Gusty very locally around high tops and over exposed high ridges.
Effect of wind on you?	Mostly small
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Damp air where in cloud Where within fog, some very fine drizzle drifting around and rock surfaces will be slick.
Cloud on the hills?	Variable on middle and high fells Banks of cloud at various heights in the morning, most broken around and east of Helvellyn. Highest tops near/above 900m likely above cloud, at least early morning. Bases lift to 600-700m, cloud-top also rising a little; some breaks possible but may fill in more sheet-like at times.
Chance of cloud free summits?	30% (highest fells near/just above cloud top)
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Patchy sunshine though at times overcast. Good visibility below cloud though some haze around.
How Cold? (at 750m)	6C
Freezing Level	Above the summits

Lake District - Looking Ahead

	Friday 17 October	Saturday 18 October
How windy? (On the summits)	Easterly 10-15mph.	Southeasterly, tending to increase 20 to 30mph, later in day gusts may approach 40mph around Scafell group.
Effect of wind on you?	Mostly small	Becoming more blustery, starting to feel noticeable on exposed terrain, later affecting ease of walking and balance.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	No rain expected	Rain unlikely Fine drizzle on some southern slopes where in cloud.
Cloud on the hills?	Rising to high terrain Cloud banks at many heights from dawn. Bases will rise, banks cling to high terrain most of the day, at times more extensive.	Tending to clear, may persist south Variable cloud banks on the hills in the morning, mostly southern areas. Lifting toward or above many tops. Southwesternmost areas may struggle with low cloud banks all day.
Chance of cloud free summits?	30%	50%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Bursts of sunshine, at times more cloudy. Hazy early, improving somewhat.	Glimpses of sun, best in north. Visibility good, but some haze, mistier some southern areas.
How Cold? (at 750m)	5 or 6C	6C, but feeling just below freezing in the wind.
Freezing Level	Above the summits	Above the summits

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Friday, 17 October, 2025

Gradually lowering pressure over the next few days will tend to push the inversion layer increasingly higher up - with time the cloud banks enveloping even higher slopes, although this level will vary across the country up to Saturday. Southeasterly breezes will start to freshen, soonest in west coastal areas. Breaks in the cloud sheet will therefore be best in areas to the northern lee-side of major hill groups. By late Saturday, winds may approach gale-force in the west. Fronts moving in from the Atlantic bring a risk of rain onward into Sunday, although extent of this is uncertain. A more unsettled outlook into next week is likely.

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