

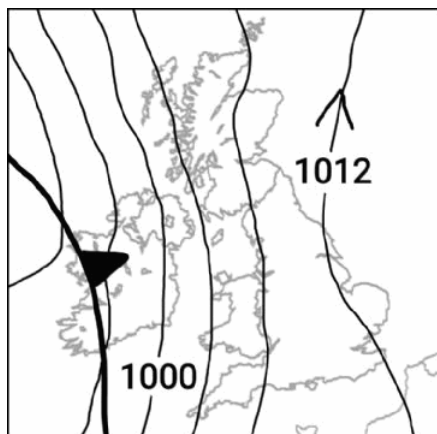
Lake District

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



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General Summary for Saturday, 20 December, 2025



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 20 December, 2025

South to south-easterly winds, reaching gale force for western hills, local drizzly showers southwestern Scotland as well as Wales, with rain into Pembrokeshire later. Elsewhere, areas of weak sun and low cloud. Low cloud focused on eastern side of Pennines and also southern and eastern Highlands.

Headline for Lake District

Mostly dry, varied low cloud, giving occasional hill fog. Strong, gusty winds.

Detailed Forecast for Saturday, 20 December, 2025

How windy? (On the summits)	South to south-easterly 25 to 35mph, but perhaps exceeding 40mph westernmost fells for a time.
Effect of wind on you?	A very blustery and gusty airflow, arduous towards west coast especially, with considerable buffeting and wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Mostly dry, bar isolated showers coast. Isolated drizzly showers, mainly coastal fells and largely fading out.
Cloud on the hills?	Occasional capping the tops. Varied banks will come and go, to give occasional hill fog over the fells. Most persistent eastern and southern fells. Elsewhere, breaks to or above tops at times.
Chance of cloud free summits?	40% in south and east. 60% elsewhere.
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	A little weak sun possible should cloud layers thin, mostly likely in the east. Visibility good or very good, but poor in any rain. General haze west coast.
How Cold? (at 750m)	3 or 4C. Directly in the wind feeling like -7 to -10C.
Freezing Level	Above the summits

Lake District - Looking Ahead

	Sunday 21 December	Monday 22 December
How windy? (On the summits)	Easterly 20 to 30mph, may increase to 30 to 40mph	Southeasterly 15 to 25mph
Effect of wind on you?	Very blustery, gusty winds, with sudden, strong gusts running downslope from ridges and passes. Significant wind chill.	Blustery at times with marked wind chill where exposed to the wind.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Rain on and off, may set in later. Patches of rain through the day. May be very little for a few hours, before there is a risk of a batch of more persistent rain moving up from the south in the afternoon.	Early rain and drizzle, then drying up A warm front and its widespread rain clears early, but further patches of rain or drizzle may follow, mainly to eastern fells. Otherwise drying up.
Cloud on the hills?	Extensive Very likely low cloud shrouding the fells extensively through the day. Best of any breaks will be toward the west coast. Breaks elsewhere rather fleeting.	Fairly extensive, but breaks west coast. Fairly extensive banks at varying heights in rain. As rain clears, very disorganised cloud banks, some hills in fog, whilst others clear, with best breaks west coast.
Chance of cloud free summits?	30%	30%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Extensively dull. Visibility perhaps good at times, but marked haze and poor when in rain.	Little or no sun. Visibility poor in rain, but tending to become good, despite a slight haze.
How Cold? (at 750m)	Around 2 or 3C	4C
Freezing Level	Above the summits	Above the summits

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Sunday, 21 December, 2025

A much drier and chiller theme develops into the Christmas period and perhaps into the New Year, as high pressure builds to the north and northeast and maybe later in the period overhead over Scotland when inversion conditions would be in place. An extensive cloud sheet will likely come in from the North Sea over many days with light snow showers or flurries likely, rain to lower slopes, but many areas dry. Best breaks in the west.

Forecast issued at 19:02 on Friday, 19 December, 2025

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