

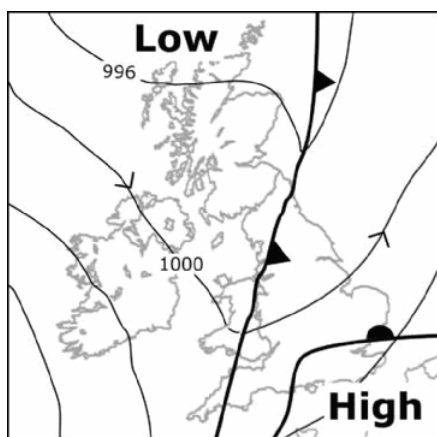
Lake District

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 Tuesday, 13 January, 2026



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 13 January, 2026

A cold front will move southeastwards bringing a few hours of precipitation - although still some uncertainty in its exact shape and position. Snow and hail showers will affect W Scotland whilst most other areas will have a few hours of rain, in places finishing as snow, as the temperature drops.

Headline for Lake District

Rain turning to snow for a few hours. Intermittently windy.

Detailed Forecast for Tuesday, 13 January, 2026

How windy? (On the summits)	Changing through day: Initially southerly 40mph, then a lull before westerly 30mph afternoon.
Effect of wind on you?	Walking on higher areas intermittently arduous and wind chill considerable.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Rain and snow for a few hours Two to four hours of precipitation morning and middle of day, turning to snow on higher fells before clearing to hail and snow showers.
Cloud on the hills?	Becoming very extensive in rain Patches of fog may clear for a few hours to reveal some higher summits. But in rain, particularly across south lakes, cloud likely to fill in across the hills.
Chance of cloud free summits?	20%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Sunshine not expected. Visibility very good, but deteriorating to widely poor in rain.
How Cold? (at 750m)	4C dropping from west to 0C. Will feel as cold as minus 8C where exposed to the wind.
Freezing Level	Above the summits dropping to 700m by dusk.

	Wednesday 14 January	Thursday 15 January
How windy? (On the summits)	Westerly 25mph morning. Then backing southerly and strengthening to 40, perhaps 50mph, by dusk.	Southwesterly 25 to perhaps in morning 35mph. There may be a lull afternoon.
Effect of wind on you?	Fairly small morning. Then walking increasingly difficult and wind chill becoming significant.	Strong enough to make walking arduous where exposed and balance at times difficult. Considerable wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Risk of snow an hail showers Showers may come in off the sea giving hail and snow, although rain lower particularly coastal slopes. Threat precipitation setting in late in day.	Heavy hail and snow showers Succession of rain, hail and above 600m snow showers. Small chance thunder.
Cloud on the hills?	Probably remaining extensive on most or all higher areas Cloud sometimes forming below 450m near the coast, but cloud base generally rising to 600 to 750m - possibly a few breaks to higher summits.	Unlikely to clear highest fells Highest fells almost always cloud covered. Cloud base typically 400 to 700m south lakes and western fells elsewhere and 500 to 800m elsewhere. May occasionally clear higher northern fells.
Chance of cloud free summits?	20%	20%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Occasional sunshine, mainly well inland. Visibility often very good, but very poor in snow.	Glimpses of sunshine. Very varied visibility: sometimes excellent, but very poor in snow.
How Cold? (at 750m)	0C. Directly in wind will feel as cold as minus 12C.	1C
Freezing Level	800m coastal hills; otherwise 700m. Frost many valleys after dawn.	900m

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Wednesday, 14 January, 2026

Mostly cloudy with precipitation from time to time over the next few days - although total rainfall is now expected to be fairly small on most mountains, particularly N Scotland.

Temperature wise, it is highly likely to remain colder than recent January's with the snow pack across the Scottish Highlands being enhanced by further snowfall, whilst further south snow accumulates on higher areas, and occasional falls reaching lower slopes.

Forecast issued at 17:07 on Monday, 12 January, 2026

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