

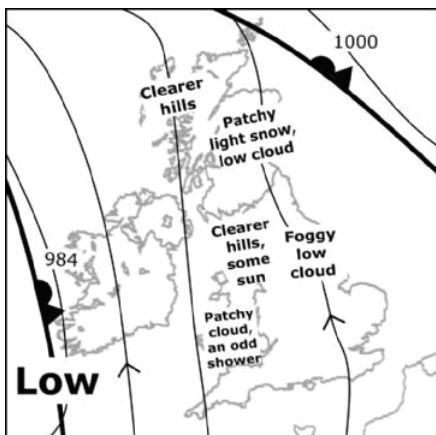
Lake District

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 Wednesday, 28 January, 2026



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 28 January, 2026

A fairly quiet day with plenty of dry weather and some good cloud breaks toward the west and northwest of major hill groups. Some snow flurries and low cloud lingers over the Cairngorms to SE Highlands. Moderate S-SE wind, locally gusty.

Headline for Lake District

Dry, patchy cloud and sun, best north.

Detailed Forecast for Wednesday, 28 January, 2026

How windy? (On the summits)	South to southeasterly 15 to 20mph, or less for a time in morning, increasing a little afternoon, gusts 25mph some southwestern fells.
Effect of wind on you?	Mostly small effect on walking, some gustier areas may develop and feel more noticeable and chilly on high tops.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Dry overall
Cloud on the hills?	Patchy cloud, mostly south Cloud banks mostly over fells toward south in morning, tending to thin and break, leaving a few patches over southern tops afternoon. Further north, some patches in morning, but largely lifting or dispersing.
Chance of cloud free summits?	30% rising to 60% south; 80% north.
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Broken cloud and sun, best in north and northwest Lakes. Visibility good out of cloud, very good north.
How Cold? (at 750m)	2C. Feeling around -5C if directly in the breeze on tops.
Freezing Level	Near to freezing point over some higher slopes above 800-900m in morning, rising just above; beware icy surfaces, fresh snow cover on tops and drifts in places.

Lake District - Looking Ahead

	Thursday 29 January	Friday 30 January
How windy? (On the summits)	East to southeasterly 25 to 30mph, stronger gusts in places through elevated passes and downslope west of higher	Southeasterly 25 to 35mph, gusty around higher fells, elevated passes and locally downslope to the northwest.
Effect of wind on you?	Strenuous walking on some higher areas, buffeting gusts in places not just on tops. Considerable wind chill.	Affecting comfortable walking over exposed terrain, some buffeting gusts not just on tops. Significant wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Largely dry Odd light spots or brief flurries mainly eastern fells.	Hill snow and rain Risk of frequent or more persistent snow above 500m, later 700m, rain lower down; focused on south Lakeland, patchier north.
Cloud on the hills?	Capping some tops Cloud banks likely to drift over higher slopes, mostly above 700m, patchier west and northwestwards.	Fairly extensive Shrouding most higher fells, lowest and most persistent southern Lakeland, some breaks may form above 700m northwest.
Chance of cloud free summits?	40%	30%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Broken cloud and some weak sun, mainly toward the west, where visibility good. Slight haze possible.	Largely cloudy, poor visibility many fells, whiteout if in fog and snow. Locally better northwestern fells.
How Cold? (at 750m)	0C. Wind chill feeling like -8 to -10C.	-1C, rising to 0 or +1C. Wind chill feeling around -10C.
Freezing Level	700-800m.	600m, rising variably toward 800-900m afternoon onward.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Thursday, 29 January, 2026

Slow-moving weather patterns and a broadly similar regime to recent times over the next week or so. Scottish mountains generally below freezing point, with snow cover and drifts most substantial from the Cairngorms to central and southern Highlands, some additional falls in the week ahead, much less northwestward. Hills in England and Wales will see varying freezing levels, sub-zero for periods to 600m or lower, but intermittently lifting just above the tops - a mix of rain and upland snowfall. Wind speed will vary, some periods of lower speeds than recently, though gusty SE'ly winds remain common in the Highlands. Scope for widely colder conditions toward mid February.

Forecast issued at 16:30 on Tuesday, 27 January, 2026

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