

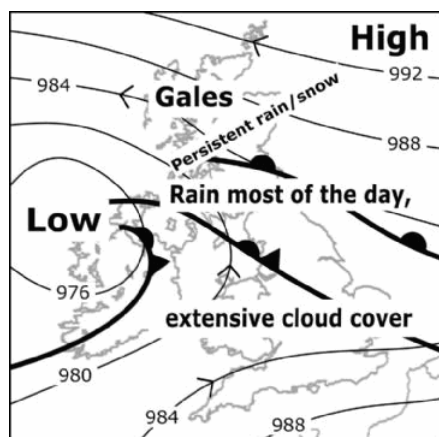
# Lake District

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 Wednesday, 11 February, 2026



### British Mountain Summary:

#### Based on forecast chart for noon 11 February, 2026

Windy for many, gale force gusts in Scotland, most powerful west. Snowing south and east Highlands (whiteout on high terrain), only patchy west; rain to lower slopes at first. Extensive cloud from southern Scotland through England and Wales and often raining, heaviest south and west slopes. Lighter wind southern Pennines.

### Headline for Lake District

Extensive cloud and often raining; blustery north

## Detailed Forecast for Wednesday, 11 February, 2026

<b>How windy? (On the summits)</b>	Generally easterly, range of 15-30mph, though a risk of some variability with lower speeds south. Western aspects in the north will see strong gusts.
<b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	<b>Highly variable conditions: walking at times strenuous on northern fells with buffeting gusts and wind chill. May be fairly small in the south much of the day, but a risk of winder moments is possible.</b>
<b>How wet?</b> (Precipitation and its impact)	<b>Often raining, drizzle too</b> Often raining, drizzly and damp between periods of rain. Later in the day, a broader area of rain returns with some heavy falls possible, falling as sleet or snow on the high summits.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>Very extensive</b> Most hills persistently cloud covered above 500 to 700m, lower bases possible too, most likely in the east and south.
<b>Chance of cloud free summits?</b>	<b>Almost nil</b>
<b>Sunshine?</b> Air clarity (below cloud)	Little or no sun. Extensively dull and misty.
<b>How Cold? (at 750m)</b>	Between 1 and 3C, some variability possible, but coldest temperatures typically north and east. Feeling like -7 to -10C if in stronger wind.
<b>Freezing Level</b>	May just touch the high summits of Scafell group but likely above the summits.

## Lake District - Looking Ahead

	Thursday 12 February	Friday 13 February
<b>How windy? (On the summits)</b>	Generally east-northeasterly 25-40mph; a chance of lighter and more variable wind at times, though confidence is low.	Northeasterly, trending northerly, 25-35mph.
<b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	<b>Prepare for arduous walking with significant wind chill in exposure; may variably be easier though detail uncertain.</b>	<b>Walking becoming strenuous, notably on exposed tops/edges where stability at times challenged; significant wind chill.</b>
<b>How wet?</b> (Precipitation and its impact)	<b>Patchy rain/snow</b> Patchy precipitation affecting the fells most of the day, falling as snow above 600-700m, the snowfall level slowly lowering as the day goes.	<b>Substantially dry</b> Some early light snow is possible, this soon moving south for a substantially dry day, only a remote chance of some light snow later.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>Fairly extensive</b>  Cloud shrouds most terrain from middle slopes upward for most of the day. Bases height may vary, at times rising towards 600-700m but returning to middle/low slopes too.	<b>Early cloud lifts and breaks, best southwest</b>  Early cloud affecting fells from 700m up, locally lower, soon lifting and breaking, gradually trending towards patches on high terrain, at times breaking off summits. Fells to the southwest becoming clearest.
<b>Chance of cloud free summits?</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>50%</b>
<b>Sunshine?</b> Air clarity (below cloud)	Probably overcast. Very poor visibility in fog and rain.	Sun increasingly present as hill cloud lifts and breaks and high cloud slips south. Excellent visibility.
<b>How Cold? (at 750m)</b>  <b>Freezing Level</b>	0C from dawn, lowering with time, towards -2 or -3C into nighttime. Feeling like -18C in direct wind.  700-800m from dawn, lowering, largely near 500m by dusk, dropping further overnight.	-4C, may rise a degree afternoon where sun breaks out. Feeling like -17 to -20C in strongest wind.  Terrain frozen from low slopes up in the morning, rising where exposed to sun, locally to 400m.

## Planning Outlook

**All mountain areas of Britain from Thursday, 12 February, 2026**

Becoming colder for all areas during the transition into the weekend, with much mountain terrain frozen again to increasingly lower elevations - soonest toward the north and east of Scotland. A widespread frost is likely early on Saturday. Northeasterly wind will be dominant - the distribution of snow showers shifting with time from eastern hills to more north-facing mountains, particularly Scotland. Away from showers later in the week, brighter than recently with sunshine and clearer hills, most likely later Friday and Saturday.

Unsettled weather returns on Sunday, with a more active week likely to follow, dominated by west-to-northwesterly winds - most precipitation in the west with some freeze-thaw cycles in central and southern areas.

**Forecast issued at 16:20 on Tuesday, 10 February, 2026**

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