

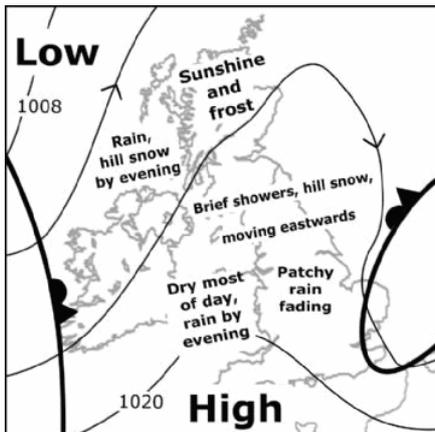
# Lake District

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, 28 February, 2026



**British Mountain Summary:  
Based on forecast chart for noon 28 February, 2026**

Fine and chilly for the Highlands, frosty morning; sunshine giving way to building cloud from southwest. Remnants of a front over England brings cloud, some rain, local showers with snow on hills. Much of Wales dry and bright. Light winds widely, then increasing S-SW'ly later, ahead of rain / hill snow into night.

**Headline for Lake District**

Breeze increasing later. Showers for a time, clearing.

## Detailed Forecast for Saturday, 28 February, 2026

<b>How windy? (On the summits)</b>	Variable or easterly 20mph at first light, soon mostly below 10mph from dawn through morning. Becoming southwesterly 15mph afternoon, strengthening later to 20-25mph.
<b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	<b>Mostly small, feeling more noticeably breezy later.</b>
<b>How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)</b>	<b>Some showers, snow flurries for a time</b> Most of the time dry, but isolated showers, snow above 500-600m, briefly a flurry of soft hail; over an hour or so in middle of day, risk a more frequent showery band passing west to east, likely clearing away afternoon. Onward into late evening-night, rain and hill snow moves in from west, may be patchy.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>Early patchy cloud lifting and clearing</b> Varied patches of cloud over fells in morning, mostly above 700m, but local patches to 500m for a time in west. Lifting and breaking during morning, leaving fells increasingly clear by afternoon. Cloud then lowers into night.
<b>Chance of cloud free summits?</b>	<b>50% rising to 90%</b>
<b>Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)</b>	Fairly cloudy, glimpses of sun mostly east. Into afternoon, sun breaks through more widely from west. Visibility mostly excellent, but reduced for a time if in showers.
<b>How Cold? (at 750m)</b>	0 or 1C. Feeling like -5 to -7C as breeze increases.
<b>Freezing Level</b>	700 to 800m, plus slight frost some sheltered lower areas early morning.

## Lake District - Looking Ahead

	Sunday 1 March	Monday 2 March
<b>How windy? (On the summits)</b> <b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	South-southwesterly 30 to 40mph, downslope gusts to the north/east. Rising, 50mph over tops afternoon. <b>Walking soon strenuous with chaotic gusts. Deteriorating, conditions becoming difficult with considerable wind chill.</b>	South turning southwest later westerly; speed likely to vary markedly, in range 20 to 40mph, risk stronger at first. <b>Risk of blustery conditions affecting ease of walking for periods, possibly more difficult around dawn.</b>
<b>How wet?</b> (Precipitation and its impact)	<b>Patchy rain, becoming more constant</b> From dawn, patches of rain drift northeastward from the Irish Sea across all areas, most frequent to the southwest, but increasingly widely with time, becoming persistent and heavier.	<b>Early rain fading</b> A band of rain early in the day, may persist for a few hours, tending to ease off and break up, some uncertainty of timing, to leave increasingly dry conditions. By evening-night, possible showers.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>Fairly extensive, lowering</b> Cloud shrouds most fells from 700m up most of the day. Some variability, with the highest bases and best chance of summit breaks Helvellyn to Blencathra. Filling in with time widely over fells, to lower elevations near Irish Sea.	<b>Fairly extensive, then lifting and breaking</b> Covering many fells early in day, varied banks to some lower slopes in southern areas for a few hours. Tending to gradually rise with some breaks, possibly more widely onward through afternoon.
<b>Chance of cloud free summits?</b>	<b>20%</b>	<b>10% rising to 50%</b>
<b>Sunshine?</b> Air clarity (below cloud)	Mostly cloudy, some bright moments to the northeast where visibility good. Visibility more limited at times south and west, hazy or increasingly murky.	Cloudy possibly much of day, but some brighter skies and glimpses of sun may emerge from west. Visibility poor in rain, improving to become very good if dry.
<b>How Cold? (at 750m)</b> <b>Freezing Level</b>	1C lifting to 5C. Feeling as cold as -10C in strongest wind.  Just touching the highest summits at and before dawn, soon lifting well above.	4C, dropping into night to 1C. If exposed to stronger wind, risk feeling like -7 to -10C.  Above the summits, then likely to lower into night onto highest tops around 900m.

**Planning Outlook****All mountain areas of Britain from Sunday, 1 March, 2026**

A changeable southwesterly regime onward into early next week. Milder air and thawing into Sunday, accompanied by rain and upland gales. A drop of freezing level onto higher mountains develops during Monday into Monday night; weakening fronts bringing some precipitation, but fading. Higher pressure nearby and commonly drier conditions during early March, though an occasional front coming in from the west may bring some rain later in the week ahead. Varied wind speeds, extensive lulls mixed with some windier days. Milder air is likely to return from the south more often.

**Forecast issued at 16:03 on Friday, 27 February, 2026**

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