

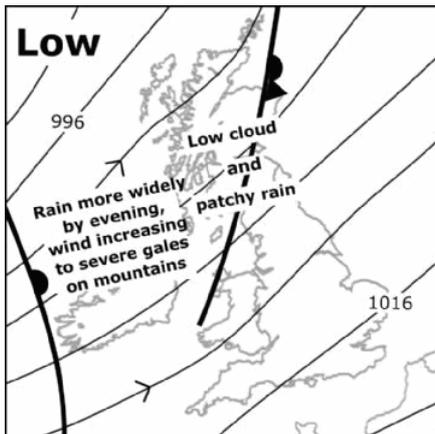
# Lake District

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, 10 March, 2026



### British Mountain Summary:

**Based on forecast chart for noon 10 March, 2026**

Patchy rain and lowest cloud over southwest-facing hill groups. Cloud fairly extensive on hills, but higher bases and some breaks northeastwards. Gale-force winds on high terrain, speeds strengthening during day, later becoming widely severe upland gales; heavier rain arrives from west by evening.

### Headline for Lake District

Windy, becoming gales. Lowest cloud south/west, patchy rain.

## Detailed Forecast for Tuesday, 10 March, 2026

<b>How windy? (On the summits)</b>	South to southwesterly; increasing with height and through day to a gusty 35 to 45mph. During afternoon reaching 50mph, gusts 60mph higher fells by dusk.
<b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	<b>Markedly increasing buffeting and wind chill with height. Deteriorating to make walking and balance increasingly difficult later in day on higher slopes.</b>
<b>How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)</b>	<b>Rain on and off</b> Rain from time to time - little in total, particularly so north Lakes. Some more persistent falls over southern fells. Rain develops from west after dark through evening for several hours, heaviest south and west fells.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>Persistent: lowest cloud base south lakes - generally highest cloud base midday</b> South Lakes and westernmost fells elsewhere: Generally persistent cloud above 450 to 600m, lowest near coast. Middle of day may break for a few hours to 600m. North Lakes: Highest cloud base 600 to 750m middle of day, then lowering.
<b>Chance of cloud free summits?</b>	<b>10% south &amp; west, 30% north/east.</b>
<b>Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)</b>	Glimpses of sun mainly lower slopes north Lakes. Good visibility where dry, but poor around cloud and rain, particularly southwest.
<b>How Cold? (at 750m)</b>	3C - only slow drop in temperature higher up. Feeling like -6C later nearer -10C directly in the wind.
<b>Freezing Level</b>	Above the summits. Then lowering well into the night ahead toward 800m.

## Lake District - Looking Ahead

	Wednesday 11 March	Thursday 12 March
<b>How windy? (On the summits)</b> <b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	Westerly up to 50mph post dawn; through day dropping slowly, typically 35mph middle of day. <b>Expect significant wind chill and walking to be arduous or difficult particularly morning.</b>	Southwesterly 45 to 60mph, top speeds more likely in the morning. <b>Difficult conditions over the fells, any mobility challenging in exposure higher up, particularly morning. Significant wind chill.</b>
<b>How wet?</b> (Precipitation and its impact)	<b>Hail and snow showers easing</b> Mainly morning, succession of sudden hail and above 700m snow showers.	<b>Heavy rain for several hours, later snow</b> Heavy rain from dawn or soon after, setting in throughout the morning at least. By afternoon, likely turning to snow increasingly on tops, as low as 700m. Uncertainty whether this eases later.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>  <b>Chance of cloud free summits?</b>	<b>Extensively covering higher areas</b>  In precipitation, cloud forming below 400 to 500m (lowest morning). Otherwise, by midday (as average cloud base tends to rise) between 600 and 900m, generally highest on easternmost summits.  <b>30%</b>	<b>Extensive</b>  Shrouding the fells widely, from lower elevations upward toward south and west. May begin to lift and break later if precipitation eases.  <b>20%</b>
<b>Sunshine?</b> Air clarity (below cloud)	Bursts of sunshine, mainly afternoon lower slopes. Visibility mostly very good although slight haze. Temporarily appalling in snow.	Overcast and dull most of day, but may become brighter later from north. Poor visibility, possibly improving later.
<b>How Cold? (at 750m)</b>  <b>Freezing Level</b>	1C. Will feel like -10C directly in the wind.  900m	4C, then late in day likely to drop to 0C. Wind chill feeling like -8 to -12C.  Above the summits possibly much of the day, but dropping toward 800m later, then lower into night.

## Planning Outlook

### All mountain areas of Britain from Wednesday, 11 March, 2026

Generally unsettled this week and through the upcoming weekend as low pressure systems pass near and north of Britain - strong west or southwesterly winds prevail, often gale-force to at times storm-force over the mountains. Some fluctuation of temperature and freezing level, but mostly below freezing over Scottish mountains, at times snow falling to lower elevations. Colder for all by the end of the week with widely lowering freezing level Thursday into Friday. Frequent precipitation most western mountains, accumulations of snow across the mountains, most substantial in western Scotland from Glencoe northwards. Quieter weather patterns indicated beyond mid-month as higher pressure builds.

### Forecast issued at 16:00 on Monday, 9 March, 2026

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