

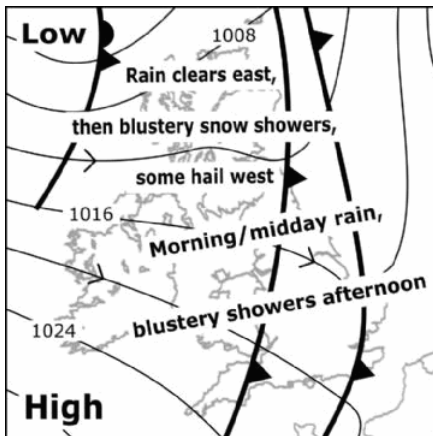
Lake District

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General Summary for Thursday, 9 April, 2026



British Mountain Summary: Based on forecast chart for noon 9 April, 2026

Rain passes east through Scotland from dawn, followed by colder air and heavy showers with snow on high terrain. The rain passes northwest parts of England and Wales through morning, reaching the Pennines and south Wales midday, clearing east for afternoon showers. Blustery, strong gusts around showers.

Headline for Lake District

Rain sets in, then breaks into showers; breezy, gusty

Detailed Forecast for Thursday, 9 April, 2026

<p>How windy? (On the summits)</p> <p>Effect of wind on you?</p>	<p>Southwesterly 20-25mph at dawn, shifting westerly, speeds slightly strengthen. Later strengthening further and becoming gusty in showers, most powerful gusts approaching 40mph.</p> <p>Walking increasingly strenuous with significant wind chill in exposure, buffeting gusts over high tops affecting stability, becoming more challenging later.</p>
<p>How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)</p>	<p>Morning rain, afternoon showers with high terrain snow</p> <p>Drizzle on high terrain in the morning turns to several hours of rain, heaviest and most persistent south and west fells. Rain breaks to afternoon showers, snow falling from 600m upward.</p>
<p>Cloud on the hills?</p> <p>Chance of cloud free summits?</p>	<p>Extensive early, rising to high terrain, summits increasingly clear</p> <p>Fairly extensive across high terrain through morning, lowest bases on western fells, to lower slopes facing the coast. Lifting and breaking as rain turns to showers, patches clinging to fells above 800m, and lower bases in showers, but trending towards breaks off tops later.</p> <p>20%, gradually rising, to 70% late afternoon</p>
<p>Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)</p>	<p>Overcast through morning with poor visibility in rain.</p> <p>Bursts of bright sun breaking out afternoon with very good visibility, best easter fells, visibility suddenly deteriorating in showers.</p>
<p>How Cold? (at 750m)</p> <p>Freezing Level</p>	<p>Around 5C at dawn, beginning to cool, most notably afternoon, where reaching +1C around evening and may lower further into night.</p> <p>Feeling like -10 to -15C later in wind.</p> <p>Above the summits likely all morning, lowering to the summits from midday, approaching 800m around dusk, lowering slightly more into night.</p>

Lake District - Looking Ahead

	Friday 10 April	Saturday 11 April
How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	Westerly 10-15mph early, shifting southerly and strengthening, reaching 40-50mph by dusk. Fairly small at dawn, but walking increasingly impeded, arduous conditions with significant wind chill by dusk.	South-southwesterly 25-30mph, strengthening later, approaching 45mph over tops by dusk. Walking impeded with notable wind chill in exposure, deteriorating later to arduous conditions by nightfall.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Spotty afternoon rain A dry morning, then some rain arriving afternoon, generally patchy in nature, and remaining often dry, though a risk of more rain late in the day into evening, falling as snow on the summits.	Frequent rain/snow showers Frequent showers at dawn, falling as snow to 500m, near constant south and west fells, risk hail mixed in too. Showers slowly ease, perhaps a dry window later in the day, but always a risk of showers on southwest fells.
Cloud on the hills? Chance of cloud free summits?	Mostly just high terrain At dawn, cloud mostly above 700-800m mostly south and west fells, and a few odd lower patches too. A lifting and breaking trend after sunrise, clear periods for the high summits, then variably returning again afternoon during patches of rain. 60%	Most extensive early, mostly clearing Often covering the hills above 600-700m at dawn, brief breaks between showers, but bases lifting and cloud breaks more common as showers ease. The high tops likely more often exposed afternoon, though cloud may graze high ground in showers later too. 20% rising to 60%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Weak sunshine through high cloud, some brighter moments but trending cloudier. Good visibility.	Bursts of sunshine increasingly frequent. Very good visibility, but suddenly poor in showers.
How Cold? (at 750m) Freezing Level	0C rising to +2C. Later, feeling like -10 to -12 in wind. 600-700m at dawn, possibly an odd local frost in sheltered valleys. Lifting to 800-900m.	0 to +1C, though variable and may rise slightly with time. Feeling as cold as -10C in direct wind. Around 800m, though locally variable, and tending to rise slightly.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Friday, 10 April, 2026

An unsettled weekend with rain, showers, and wind temperatures, though a few bright spells will break out. Variable weather regimes next week: Atlantic west-southwesterly winds likely dominant, with low pressure to the northwest of the country, bringing cloud, rain, and mild temperatures, often followed by sun, showers, and cooler temperatures; rain will be increasingly common to the high Munros, but the snowfall level will lower too during periods of cooler weather, and perhaps to high Lakeland fells, though any snow unlikely to accumulate here.

In the longer term, indications of high pressure increasingly building, bringing drier and brighter conditions with mild days to England and Wales and occasionally Scotland too, though the risk remains of occasional rain and cooler temperatures.

Forecast issued at 16:05 on Wednesday, 8 April, 2026

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