

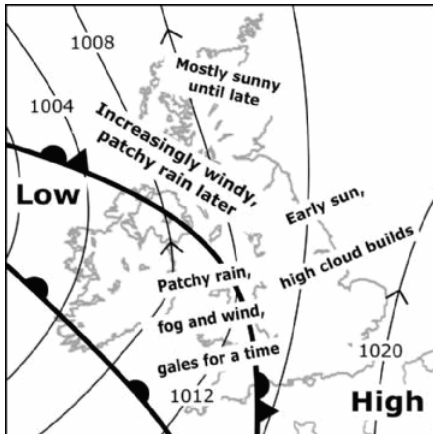
Lake District

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General Summary for Tuesday, 14 April, 2026



British Mountain Summary: Based on forecast chart for noon 14 April, 2026

Patchy light rain and fog soon spread into Wales from the south, soon windy too, briefly gales. Starting sunny elsewhere, high cloud spreads north over England, later into central Scotland. Patchy rain into Lakeland to the west Highlands later, wind strengthens, gales coastal west Highlands. Northern Scotland stays sunny.

Headline for Lake District

Increasingly blustery afternoon with rising chance of patchy rain

Detailed Forecast for Tuesday, 14 April, 2026

How windy? (On the summits)	Southerly, 10-15mph in morning, gradually strengthening, to 30-35mph by evening, powerful gusts over tops and elevated passes, gusting to 45mph for a time.
Effect of wind on you?	Fairly small for half the day or more, but likely becoming more blustery over higher terrain, particularly into evening when walking will become strenuous, gusts necessitating extra effort to maintain balance with notable wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Dry morning, patchy rain arrives later afternoon Through afternoon, a rising risk of light patchy rain, decent chance of patchy rain developing from southwest by evening, becoming more frequent overnight with heavier moments.
Cloud on the hills?	Lifting to high tops, often above Patchy cloud around some southern fells in morning, also mist in some valleys at first, largely breaking up or lifting above the fells into middle of day. Later afternoon, cloud returning to high tops, lowering into nighttime.
Chance of cloud free summits?	Rising to 80%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Sunshine at dawn, high cloud soon building from the southwest, gradually weakening the sun, likely overcast by evening. Visibility very good.
How Cold? (at 750m)	1 or 2C at dawn rising to 6C, staying lifted into evening and perhaps rising to 7C as dusk approaches. Feeling colder later in day as wind increases.
Freezing Level	At dawn, may be just near freezing on the high summits, some local light frosts in sheltered valleys as well. Soon lifting off the summits after daybreak.

Lake District - Looking Ahead

	Wednesday 15 April	Thursday 16 April
How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	Southerly 40-50mph; very gusty, not just high elevations, locally variable direction, and a risk of strengthening. Arduous to often challenging walking with significant wind chill all day; gusts constantly affecting stability.	Southwesterly 30-40mph, stronger over tops early. An easing trend, to 20-30mph later in the day. Strenuous walking with a chilly feeling at dawn, an easing trend, may become fairly small but blustery in exposure.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Rain and drizzle, some breaks, more later Rain on-and-off much of the day, though likely staying drizzly over the high fells between patches. Later, setting in persistent and heavier for a few hours, a risk of a very heavy fall.	Early drizzle, some showers Drizzly on high terrain at dawn, locally to middle slopes west fells. Drizzle fades as cloud lifts, then some scattered afternoon showers, these fading too.
Cloud on the hills? Chance of cloud free summits?	Extensive early, some improvement Extensive at dawn to middle slopes, lower in the south and west where locally to valley level. A lifting trend with time, variable between 500-800m, always lowest in the south/west, perhaps an odd higher break. More extensive again later. 20%	Early cloud improves, most east summits clearing Cloud shrouds most terrain above 700m from dawn, lowest western fells where 500m or lower. Bases lift and cloud trends patchy with time, eastern fells seeing breaks to summits. Western fells slower to clear, perhaps only fleeting clear spells over Scafell. Rising to 50%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	A few glimpses of weak afternoon sun, but otherwise mostly cloudy. Mixed visibility, often poor in cloud/drizzle but very good where out of cloud.	Sunshine increasingly breaking out, a patchwork through afternoon. Visibility increasingly good away from cloud and showers.
How Cold? (at 750m) Freezing Level	7 or 8C, may rise a degree, then sharply cooling into night. Feeling as cold as -8C in strongest wind. Above the summits.	4C rising to 5C. Feeling like -5 to -8C in strongest wind. Above the summits.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Wednesday, 15 April, 2026

Milder from Wednesday into the weekend, but Scottish high tops below freezing at times, locally lower in the northwest. Unsettled conditions in the immediate near-term with showers (sometimes heavy with hail and lightning), occasionally more persistent rain, accompanied by often gusty winds, gales over mountains for periods, but also brighter spells between rain. With spring sunshine, temperatures will tend to rise several degrees during daylight, often becoming warm in the valleys; slopes north of major hill groups often milder. Saturday sees continued showers, mostly north and west, but higher pressure gradually builds through late weekend into early next week, bringing fewer showers and lighter winds; chilly overnight, but fairly mild spring days. Confidence is low regarding how long high pressure will establish.

Forecast issued at 16:17 on Monday, 13 April, 2026

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