

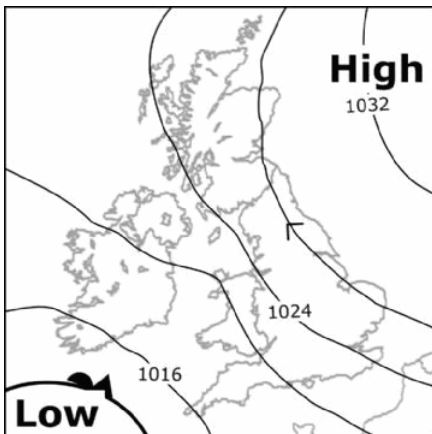
Lake District

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General Summary for Thursday, 30 April, 2026



**British Mountain Summary:
Based on forecast chart for noon 30 April, 2026**

Unbroken bright sunshine nearly everywhere - beware of dehydration and sunburn. Windy, particularly morning southern Scotland southwards where upland gales in some areas. SW Wales often cloudy with increasing threat of a shower.

Headline for Lake District

Bright sunshine. Strong gusty wind slowly easing.

Detailed Forecast for Thursday, 30 April, 2026

How windy? (On the summits)	Southeasterly 30 to 40mph, powerful gusts in places 50mph around higher fells, widely so until mid or late morning. Speeds will tend to drop through day.
Effect of wind on you?	Walking strenuous in exposure, buffeting gusts affecting balance not just on tops. Marked wind chill despite mild air.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	No rain
Cloud on the hills?	None expected
Chance of cloud free summits?	Practically certain
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Unbroken sunshine. Excellent visibility.
How Cold? (at 750m)	7C rising to 12C afternoon. Feeling near or just below freezing directly in the wind, especially morning.
Freezing Level	Above the summits. Slight frost sheltered valleys at dawn.

Lake District - Looking Ahead

	Friday 1 May	Saturday 2 May
How windy? (On the summits)	Southerly, 15 to 20mph, occasional 25mph, gusts mainly if showers occur.	Generally westerly; 15 or 20mph.
Effect of wind on you?	Fairly small.	Small
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Risk bursts of rain later Through day increasing risk isolated bursts of rain.	Risk occasional rain Largely or perhaps completely dry. However, risk pockets of drizzle in morning and bursts of showery rain later in day.
Cloud on the hills?	Little if any	Very extensive from dawn; will gradually lift although may persist Confidence in detail low: Particularly south lakes, cloud may through morning be below 300m and persist above 450 to 600m most or all day. In north lakes, cloud likely to rise to toward or above 700m, possibly all clearing.
Chance of cloud free summits?	Above 90%	30%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Sunshine, becoming weak through a veil of high cloud, which will probably extend eastward. Visibility good or very good, but some haze.	Sunshine gradually coming through at least north lakes with mostly very good visibility after a dull and misty start.
How Cold? (at 750m)	10C, up to 15C, warmest away from coastal fells, afternoon.	8C.
Freezing Level	Above the summits.	Above the summits.

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Friday, 1 May, 2026**

Less settled this weekend and into next week. Rain will not be extensive, but in some areas persistent for a few hours and some heavy, possibly thundery bursts - although particularly by Sunday local detail is as yet uncertain. Temperature levels will drop from the north, indeed early next week overnight and mornings higher slopes will be below freezing point Scottish Highlands, and further frosts are likely in valleys.

Forecast issued at 15:17 on Wednesday, 29 April, 2026

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