

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 Wednesday, 27 May, 2026

British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 27 May, 2026

A largely sunny day in NW Scotland, whilst low cloud in central-E Scotland & NE England in the morning will gradually thin and break, but may linger toward the North Sea. Gusty SE'ly winds for England & Wales, but remaining very warm. Localised thundery rain may develop in Wales, mainly south.

Headline for Lake District

Largely sunny, warm; some early cloud. Gusty in places.

Detailed Forecast for Wednesday, 27 May, 2026

How windy? (On the summits)	Southeasterly 15 to 25mph, gusty around some high tops and elevated passes, in places 30mph mainly southwestern fells.
Effect of wind on you?	Varied, small at times, but blustery gusty areas, particularly toward west coast. Highest gusts not necessarily over tops.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	No rain expected
Cloud on the hills?	Local patches clearing in morning Early patches or banks of low cloud, mainly northeastern fells, will lift and break off the fells, to leave all areas clear by midday. Western fells clear all day.
Chance of cloud free summits?	80% early, rising above 90%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Patchwork of sunshine, increasingly widely sunny. Beware high UV and sunburn. Visibility very good, some haze.
How Cold? (at 750m)	12 to 14C, may be slightly cooler if in cloud early in day in east-northeast Lakes.
Freezing Level	Well above the summits

Lake District - Looking Ahead

	Thursday 28 May	Friday 29 May
How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	Southeast turning southerly, in range 25 to 40mph, very gusty for a time. Turning SW'ly evening-night. Blustery, affecting ease of walking and balance on exposed terrain. Sudden strong gusts ahead of rain.	Southwesterly 25 to 30mph. Blustery over higher fells, affecting comfortable walking in exposure. Marked wind chill on tops.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Risk thundery bursts forming An odd burst of rain possible from thickening high cloud already early morning. Increasing risk of developing into sporadic thundery downpours, drifting northward, perhaps in middle of day. Further showers possible later.	A little rain, light showers Odd pockets of drizzly rain on coastal fells, possibly brief showers passing eastwards.
Cloud on the hills? Chance of cloud free summits?	Some varied cloud for a time Ragged patches forming over fells at varied elevations during and just after rain for a time. Chance of covering southern fells for a few hours. 80%	Varied mostly western tops Some banks of cloud over higher fells, may come and go all day in west, but tending to lift and break above many tops inland. 60%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Varied sun and high cloud, more overcast skies likely for a time. Rather hazy, poorer visibility if in rain.	A little sun mostly toward east. Visibility good below cloud, hazier coastal areas.
How Cold? (at 750m) Freezing Level	13 to 16C. Well above the summits.	8 to 10C. Wind chill feeling near 0C on high tops. Above the summits.

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Thursday, 28 May, 2026**

Very warm air wafts north across the Highlands by Thursday, but this also brings a risk of scattered thundery showers forming; strong and gusty southerly winds. Gale or near-gale force southwesterlies into Friday for the Highlands, strongest toward the northwest, where accompanied by rain, drizzle and low cloud. The recent heat across England and Wales will ease back to nearer average temperatures into the weekend. From the weekend into next week, southwesterlies will prevail, bringing changeable conditions in from the Atlantic - rain, drizzle and low cloud most common on western coastal mountains, but showery days are likely more widely at times. Temperatures near average, some cooler days.

Forecast issued at 16:00 on Tuesday, 26 May, 2026

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