

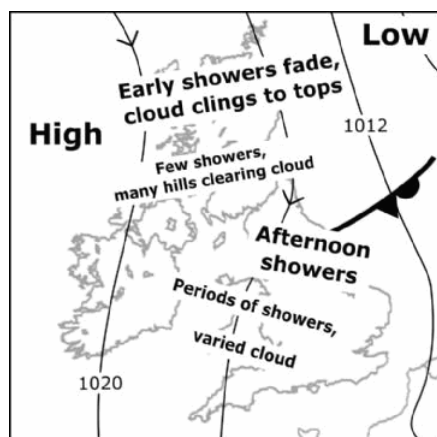
Lake District

The entire Lake District National Park, taking in all major summits, including Scafell, Helvellyn, Skiddaw, the Langdales and Old Man of Conistone.



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General Summary for Friday, 21 August, 2026



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 21 August, 2026

Early showers in north Scotland, then a dry afternoon, though cloud lingers on northern tops. Largely dry start for south Scotland and England, mostly clear hills, then afternoon showers forming, particularly over the Pennines. Showers on and off in Wales, some heavy bursts. Cool-to-mild and little wind.

Headline for Lake District

Largely dry morning, afternoon showers; little wind

Detailed Forecast for Friday, 21 August, 2026

How windy? (On the summits)	Northerly 10mph and sometimes less; should afternoon showers form, expect sudden gusts.
Effect of wind on you?	Small, though may become locally gusty in the afternoon.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Afternoon showers Substantially dry morning, only rare odd showers if any. Through afternoon, showers increasingly forming, a few heavy bursts. Showers will drift south, leaving northern fells driest later in the day.
Cloud on the hills?	Little expected, then summit caps forming through afternoon Well-broken cloud at varied heights in the morning soon lifts to just caps over the summits, and increasingly broken off the summits. In afternoon, caps will return to summits as showers form, with some patches forming lower in the south as the day goes.
Chance of cloud free summits?	80%, lowering to 50%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Often sunny early, becoming more of a patchwork with time. Very good visibility.
How Cold? (at 750m)	6C rising to 9C, beginning to cool afternoon as showers form.
Freezing Level	Above the summits.

Lake District - Looking Ahead

	Saturday 22 August	Sunday 23 August
How windy? (On the summits)	Northwesterly around 10mph, some variability above and below.	Northwesterly 10-15mph, shifting westerly and easing, to becoming light and variable later.
Effect of wind on you?	Negligible.	Negligible.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Little or none A little damp air on sheltered slopes in the morning (not just high terrain), fading for dry fells.	Little or none Small chance spots of drizzly rain, more likely dry.
Cloud on the hills?	Little expected Patchy cloud at varied heights in the morning (including into sheltered valleys in the west), any cloud lifting and dissipating to clear the fells. Some chance of a few caps drifting over Scafell Pike.	Lifting to summits, some breaks Cloud banks at varied heights in the morning, including valleys; most extensive towards western fells. Cloud lifts to the high summits, breaking off the high summits at times.
Chance of cloud free summits?	80%	Rising to 50%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Mostly sunny, some patchy fair weather cloud builds afternoon. Excellent visibility.	Patchwork of cloud and sun. Very good visibility.
How Cold? (at 750m)	8 to 10C, locally rising a degree.	9 to 11C.
Freezing Level	Above the summits.	Above the summits.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Saturday, 22 August, 2026

The weekend is often cloudy in north and west Scotland, some drizzle on the summits with occasional light rain, amounting to little. Drier south and east Scotland, but cloud will reach here too, particularly on Sunday. England and Wales will be largely dry and bright this weekend with little wind and mild temperatures. On Sunday, high pressure west of the country may facilitate local inversion conditions, but low cloud likely quick to fade.

Next week begins dry and bright, but wind shifts southeasterly and pressure drops again as the week goes, bringing periods of cloud and rain (sometimes heavy) to most hill groups, some stronger wind at times. Similar conditions persist into the following weekend: generally unsettled but a chance of a settled window, best in the east.

Forecast issued at 16:00 on Thursday, 20 August, 2026

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