

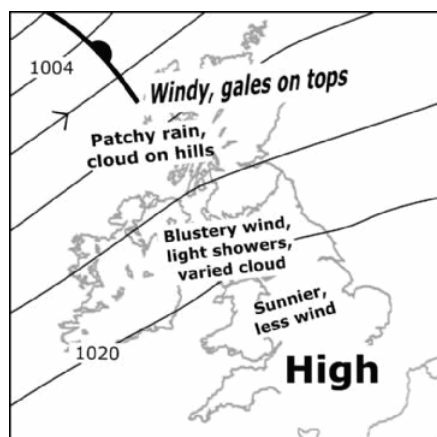
Lake District

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General Summary for Saturday, 26 September, 2026



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 26 September, 2026

Strong southwesterly winds, gale-force on Scottish mountains, strengthening in the west. Showery rain and cloud banks in western Scotland, patchy rain extending inland. A little rain in the wind at times and some cloud on western hills of England and Wales, more often dry and less wind further south.

Headline for Lake District

Windy on high terrain, some light rain, patchy cloud.

Detailed Forecast for Saturday, 26 September, 2026

How windy? (On the summits)	Southwesterly 25 to 35mph, strongest sustained speeds early and late in the day, into evening reaching 40mph high tops.
Effect of wind on you?	Blustery, strenuous walking over exposed higher terrain, some buffeting gusts and feeling rather cool around high tops,
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	A little rain mostly west Light showery rain most common west and southwest Lakeland, odd light showers drifting eastwards, mostly only spots toward the northeast.
Cloud on the hills?	Capping high tops, lifting and breaking Banks of cloud drift over high tops mostly above 700-800m in west and southwest areas in morning, tending to lift higher during day to leave patches mostly above 900m and break more often towards the north and east.
Chance of cloud free summits?	60%, rising to 80% north/east Lakes
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Bursts of sun, mostly north and northeastern Lakes. Hazy toward coast, but visibility very good further north and east.
How Cold? (at 750m)	7C rising to 10C afternoon, or 11C on sunny slopes northeast Lakes. Feeling like 0 to -3C in the wind.
Freezing Level	Above the summits.

Lake District - Looking Ahead

	Sunday 27 September	Monday 28 September
How windy? (On the summits)	Southerly 30-40mph, risk sudden increase to 50mph afternoon, powerful gusts; later dropping quickly W-SW'ly	Southwesterly 15 to 20mph in the morning, easing to 10-15mph or less afternoon.
Effect of wind on you?	Blustery in exposure, strenuous moments and risk more difficult over a few hours by afternoon; notable wind chill.	Fairly small.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Rain develops into heavier bursts A little drizzly rain in the morning south and west Lakes. Rain arrives more broadly into middle of day, likely steady for several hours, a swathe of torrential falls passing eastward, chance isolated thunder.	Rare if any showers Chance of an odd brief light shower on hills nearest the coast in the morning.
Cloud on the hills?	Little to start, filling in on high terrain A few patches on high tops to start, likely lifting above the summits for several hours. Through afternoon, banks lower onto the tops, filling in more extensively for several hours, as low as 600m south Lakes during heaviest falls.	Patches lift and clear Some cloud banks in the morning mainly on south-facing slopes near to coasts, plus local mist in some valleys around dawn inland. All lifting and dispersing for clear hills.
Chance of cloud free summits?	70%, lowering to 30%	80%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Mostly sunny start, patchy cloud building, then becoming overcast. Very good visibility, deteriorating on high terrain.	Fairly cloudy start near coasts, early sun best north Lakes, then becoming sunnier more widely into afternoon. Visibility excellent.
How Cold? (at 750m) Freezing Level	9 or 10C during daytime; notably cooling overnight. Feeling like 0C in strongest wind. Above the summits.	6C rising to 9C. Above the summits.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Sunday, 27 September, 2026

A changeable prospect during the week ahead. Sunday sees extensive rain moving in from the west with heavy bursts, accompanied by powerful southerly winds. Improving for many places into Monday as higher pressure expands in from the south, but showers and brisk winds continue toward northwest Scotland. Strong southeasterly winds by Tuesday, widely gales on mountains with turbulent downslope gusts toward the west; a risk of rain developing from the south during the day, becoming heavy later. Blustery south-southwesterlies into Wednesday and Thursday, showery in the west. Higher pressure tends to expand further north again into early October. Mostly mild temperatures.

Forecast issued at 16:30 on Friday, 25 September, 2026

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