

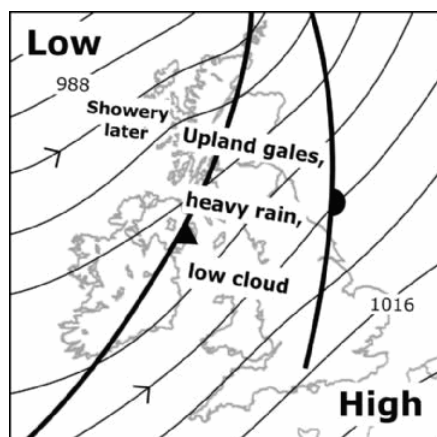
Peak District

The southernmost Pennines, covering the entire Peak District National Park, also extending north to hills accessed from Hebden Bridge, and including the hills immediately north of Manchester.



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General Summary for Wednesday, 17 December, 2025



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 17 December, 2025

Extensive gales across the hills. Rain preceded by early snow on higher terrain in the Highlands, lifting briefly above freezing to high tops. Showery bursts follow into western Scotland, heavy and frequent with hail later. England & Wales sees rain much of the day, spreading eastward, heavy at times.

Headline for Peak District

Windy, gales on tops. Rain becomes persistent, low cloud.

Detailed Forecast for Wednesday, 17 December, 2025

How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	South-southwesterly 30 to 40mph, in places gusts 50mph around exposed tops and edges. Lessening only well into night. Strenuous walking conditions over the hills, buffeting gusts around some exposed spots affecting balance.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Rain soon develops Rain pushing in from the west soon from dawn, becoming fairly persistent, some heavier falls western areas, patchier east. Rain breaking up only well into night. Wet underfoot, fast-flowing streams in west.
Cloud on the hills? Chance of cloud free summits?	Becoming extensive May be varied, locally clearer at first, but cloud likely to soon lower to blanket higher moors, from mid-slopes up in west. 30%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Overcast, visibility may start good in east, but increasingly murky from west.
Temperature (at 600m) And in the valleys	3C rising during day to 6C. Feeling like -5 to -8C directly in the wind. 3C at dawn, slight frost some valleys. Rising to 7 or 8C.

	Thursday 18 December	Friday 19 December
How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	Southerly 25 to 40mph, but direction and speed likely to vary. Chance of increasing rapidly later to 50mph+. Expect blustery conditions, often strenuous walking and marked wind chill in exposure.	Southwesterly 35 to 45mph, tending to lessen a little during day. Strenuous walking conditions over higher terrain, some buffeting in exposure. Considerable wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Heavy rain soon setting in Dry possibly for a few hours in morning. Heavy rain moving in from south during day, likely soon persistent. Breaking up into showery rain evening into night.	Brief showers Local passing showers, mainly areas toward northwest Peak District and into Lancashire.
Cloud on the hills? Chance of cloud free summits?	Increasingly extensive Banks of cloud at varying heights, but if rain sets in, widely lowering to shroud hills from mid-heights upwards. 30% early in day, dropping below 10%	Often above hills Patches occasionally touching higher tops mainly toward west in morning, but often lifting above hills. 80%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Overcast and dull, murky in rain.	Sunshine most frequent east. Visibility mostly very good.
Temperature (at 600m) And in the valleys	4 or 5C, then lowering to 2C into night. Wind chill feeling like -5 to -7C on tops. Little variation night and day, 8 or 9C; then dropping cooler later evening onward.	3 or 4C. Feeling like -10C directly in the wind. 4C from dawn, rising to 8C afternoon.

All mountain areas of Britain from Thursday, 18 December, 2025

South-southwesterly winds widely remain gale force over the mountains later this week and through into Saturday, severe upland gales for periods. More heavy rain for England and Wales on Thursday, further flooding expected; rain spreads north into Scotland, falling as snow on Munros. Showery by Friday, most frequent in western Scotland with hail, also snow over tops. Another belt of persistent rain likely arrives from the west into Saturday, snow only highest Scottish tops. A switch to east-southeasterly winds by Sunday into early next week, some residual rain and high-level snow, but a drier theme develops and favouring chillier conditions into the Christmas period.

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