

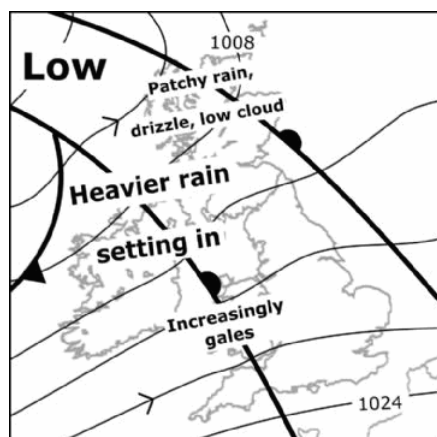
Peak District

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 Saturday, 21 February, 2026



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 21 February, 2026

Southwesterly winds strengthening during the day, becoming upland gales more widely later. Milder overall, soon rising above freezing to the highest summits in Scotland. Rain, drizzle and low cloud extensive, developing into more prolonged heavy rain from the west in the afternoon.

Headline for Peak District

Windy, gales by evening. Low cloud, damp, steadier rain later.

Detailed Forecast for Saturday, 21 February, 2026

How windy? (On the summits)	Southwesterly 25 to 35mph, tending to strengthen further up to dusk, 40-50mph into evening.
Effect of wind on you?	Uncomfortable walking, strenuous in exposure on higher moors, becoming more challenging widely later.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Rain and drizzle, wetter later Rain on and off, persistently drizzly at least over western hills, more constant rain for periods into afternoon.
Cloud on the hills?	Extensive Blanketing higher terrain most or all day, lowest in west, often 300-400m, at times lower in rain. Further eastward, bases toward 500m, occasionally higher.
Chance of cloud free summits?	20%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Overcast and dull, locally brighter skies for a time eastern areas. Hazy, visibility widely poor in rain.
Temperature (at 600m)	6C. Where exposed to stronger winds on tops, feeling like -5C.
And in the valleys	Mild from dawn, little change during day and after dark, around 10C, locally warmer eastern valleys.

Peak District - Looking Ahead

	Sunday 22 February	Monday 23 February
How windy? (On the summits)	Southwesterly 30 to 40mph, squally gusts in showers.	Southwesterly 30 to 40mph, strongest in the morning, easing a little in afternoon, but increasing again after dark.
Effect of wind on you?	Strenuous walking over the hills, challenging on exposed higher terrain with buffeting gusts. Considerable wind chill.	Strenuous walking conditions over the hills, affecting balance in exposure on tops and edges. Considerable wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Local occasional showers Overnight rain likely clears southeast before dawn. Then scattered showers mostly western hills toward the north, more often dry east and southward over Peak District.	Patchy rain mostly northwest Rain on and off west and northern Peak District and into Lancashire, may be small amounts, and often drier toward east and south. Risk becoming more persistent rain mainly northwestern areas.
Cloud on the hills?	Sometimes covering higher moors Likely to come and go on higher slopes around rain, most frequent western areas, occasionally forming to 500m. More often above hills east and southward.	Mostly higher and western hills Banks of cloud mostly western areas in the morning above 500-600m, some lower patches Lancashire Pennines. Risk filling in more widely if rain develops.
Chance of cloud free summits?	70%	40%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Sun breaking through at times mainly eastern areas. Visibility very good, locally briefly reduced in showers.	Some sun breaking through in east, but cloud likely to thicken from west. Visibility fairly good, distant haze, then reducing to poor if rain develops.
Temperature (at 600m)	5 or 6C. Wind chill feeling like -5 to -8C.	5 or 6C, rising slightly after dark. Feeling like -7 to -10C directly in the wind.
And in the valleys	8C from dawn, up to 10 or 11C afternoon, but lowering slightly in showers.	7C from dawn, rising to 10C.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Sunday, 22 February, 2026

West to southwesterly winds prevail during the week ahead as areas of low pressure move toward northwest Scotland whilst ridges of higher pressure occasionally nudge across southern Britain. Sustained gales over the mountains, only brief lulls. Temperatures will fluctuate above and below freezing on higher Scottish mountains, with periods of thaw and refreezing. England and Wales generally above freezing to tops with a substantial thaw of most upland snow. Frequent rainfall, often heavy over western mountains, at times showery with hail, some snow on Scottish Munros. The final days of February favour colder northwesterly air and a drop of freezing level.

Forecast issued at 15:30 on Friday, 20 February, 2026

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