

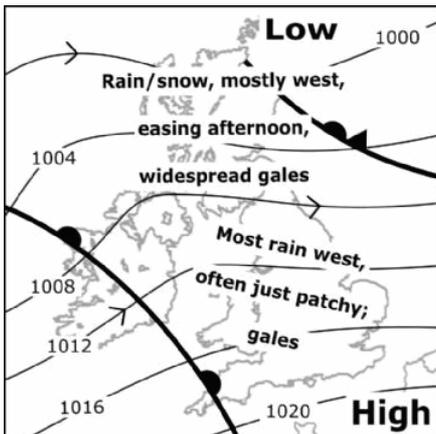
Peak District

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 Monday, 23 February, 2026



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 23 February, 2026

Widespread gales, severe for several hours on higher terrain. Early showers from the west affect many hills, particularly Scotland where rain will be frequent; snow on high terrain. Rain slowly eases afternoon, then a warm front approaches Wales, bringing more rain and rising temperatures here, spreading widely overnight.

Headline for Peak District

Gales; most rain northwest, many hills dry

Detailed Forecast for Monday, 23 February, 2026

How windy? (On the summits)	Westerly 40-45mph in morning, may at times reach up to 50mph over highest exposure tops. Easing afternoon, 25-30mph around dusk, further easing for a few hours into night but deteriorating again.
Effect of wind on you?	Arduous to challenging walking most of day with significant wind chill; strongest wind in exposure may require crouching to maintain balance. Effects easing, but wind always a nuisance during daylight.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Patchy rain northwest Rain on and off west and northern Peak District and into Lancashire, may be small amounts, and soon drier toward east and south. As evening approaches, the chance of rain increases again, likely raining for several hours into night.
Cloud on the hills?	Mostly higher and western hills Banks of cloud mostly western areas in the morning above 500-600m, some lower patches Lancashire Pennines. Breaks are likely to reach summits for periods too. Later, cloud returns to the high tops and fills in more widely into night.
Chance of cloud free summits?	50%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Some sun breaking through, best in the east, but high cloud soon starts to thicken. Visibility fairly good though a distant haze to the west.
Temperature (at 600m)	4C from dawn, steadily rising, reaching 6C by evening, rising further overnight. Feeling like -7 to -10C directly in the wind.
And in the valleys	7C from dawn, rising to 10C.

Peak District - Looking Ahead

	Tuesday 24 February	Wednesday 25 February
How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	Southwesterly 30 to 40mph. Strenuous walking over the hills, frequent buffeting in exposure. Considerable wind chill despite milder air.	Southwesterly 20-35mph, gusty in places too, notably early in the day. Strengthening evening into night, up to 40mph. Inconvenient wind much of the day, at times strenuous and feeling chilly, a deteriorating trend with time.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Largely dry	Often dry but feeling damp The hills often dry, though occasional spots of light rain on western/Lancashire Pennines. An increasing risk of rain afternoon.
Cloud on the hills? Chance of cloud free summits?	Likely to lift Risk of low cloud covering some hills in morning, tending to lift toward or above most tops, though a risk of occasional banks returning. 50%, rising to 80%	Variable over high terrain, breaks Cloud comes and goes over high terrain, may at times lower to the middle elevations to the west, but with clear summits at times as well. A risk of early fog in sheltered valleys as well. 50%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Some sun through high cloud layers. Misty around some hills for a time, otherwise visibility fairly good, some haze.	Variable, often bright with sunny breaks likely, but also cloudier moments. Moderate visibility due to a haze.
Temperature (at 600m) And in the valleys	6 to 8C. In exposure to wind, feeling like -3 to -5C. Mild 9C from dawn, rising to 12C afternoon.	7C from dawn, rising to 9 or 10C. Feeling around freezing in strongest direct wind. Rising to 13C or locally warmer to the northeast.

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Tuesday, 24 February, 2026**

West to southwesterly winds prevail during the week ahead as areas of low pressure move toward northwest Scotland ; regular rainfall here, most frequent and heavy over western mountains. Weak high pressure keeps the weather drier to the south and east early in the week. Sustained gales over the mountains, only brief lulls around mid-week. Temperatures rising into mid-week with freezing levels soon lifting off summits in England and Wales for substantial snow thaws . Some thawing in Scotland too. Later in the week, becoming more widely unsettled again with cooler temperatures, 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; a dry and bright spell is possible early weekend.

Forecast issued at 16:28 on Sunday, 22 February, 2026

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