

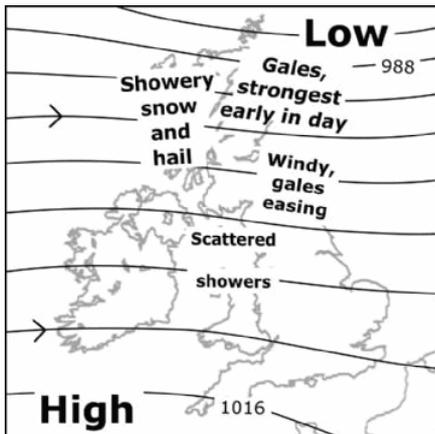
Peak District

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, 11 March, 2026



British Mountain Summary: Based on forecast chart for noon 11 March, 2026

Cold strong westerly winds, gales over Scottish mountains and more widely early in day, significant chill factor over mountains. Showery snow and hail most frequent W & NW Highlands, more scattered elsewhere. Cloud base varying, occasional sun.

Headline for Peak District

Windy, gale-force at first. Local brief showers.

Detailed Forecast for Wednesday, 11 March, 2026

How windy? (On the summits)	Westerly up to 40mph post dawn; through day dropping slowly, typically 30mph middle of day. Increasing again into night, later reaching 50mph, stronger gusts.
Effect of wind on you?	Expect considerable wind chill and walking to be arduous, particularly morning. Deteriorating again to gales onward into night.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Brief showers A few rain and hail showers (these mainly northernmost Peak District and north toward Pendle).
Cloud on the hills?	Frequently clearing In precipitation, cloud temporarily forming to 500m. Otherwise, by midday nearly all cloud above the summits.
Chance of cloud free summits?	80% by midday
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Patchwork of sunshine, most sun Peak District east and south of Manchester. Visibility mostly very good or excellent.
Temperature (at 600m)	3 or 4C during day, then rising slightly into night. Will feel like -6C directly in the wind.
And in the valleys	6C from dawn, 9 or 10C in the afternoon.

Peak District - Looking Ahead

	Thursday 12 March	Friday 13 March
How windy? (On the summits)	Southwesterly 45 to 55mph.	West to southwesterly 30 to 35mph, likely strongest in the morning, nearer 40mph, squally gusts around showers.
Effect of wind on you?	Arduous or challenging walking conditions, considerable buffeting and wind chill over exposed terrain.	Strenuous walking conditions over exposed higher terrain, buffeting at times and considerable wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Risk increasingly heavier rain Starting largely dry toward south and east at least, patchy rain moving in from northwest. Risk more persistent and heavier rain developing from northwest afternoon.	Hail showers, snow tops Showers with hail most frequent western areas, a scattering passing east during day; snow falling to 300m early morning, then mostly confined above 500m with time. Small chance isolated lightning.
Cloud on the hills?	Lowering in rain Banks of cloud most persistent higher and western moors above 500m, may form lower in places toward Lancashire Pennines, particularly in constant rain.	Mostly above hills Occasional patches of cloud drifting over higher western moors, mostly above 500m. Often clearing the tops.
Chance of cloud free summits?	30%	80%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Largely cloudy, but a few hours of brighter skies toward south and east early in day. Rather hazy, becoming poor visibility in rain.	Bursts of bright sun, most frequent eastern moors. Visibility often very good, briefly reduced to poor in showers.
Temperature (at 600m)	4C dawn, rising to 6 or 7C, then late in day likely to drop to 2C. Wind chill feeling like -5 to -8C.	0C rising to 2C afternoon. Feeling like -10 to -13C directly in the wind.
And in the valleys	8 to 10C, small variation during day, then dropping chillier overnight.	3C from dawn, rising to 6C afternoon, but a few degrees colder in showers.

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Thursday, 12 March, 2026**

Generally unsettled onward into the upcoming weekend and start of next week as low pressure systems pass near and north of Britain - strong west or southwesterly winds prevail, often gale-force to at times storm-force over the mountains. Some fluctuation of temperature and freezing level, but mostly below freezing over Scottish mountains, at times snow falling to lower elevations. Colder for all by the end of this week with widely lowering freezing level by Friday. Frequent precipitation most western mountains, accumulations of snow across the mountains, most substantial in western Scotland from Glencoe northwards. Quieter weather patterns indicated beyond mid-month as higher pressure builds.

Forecast issued at 16:00 on Tuesday, 10 March, 2026

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