

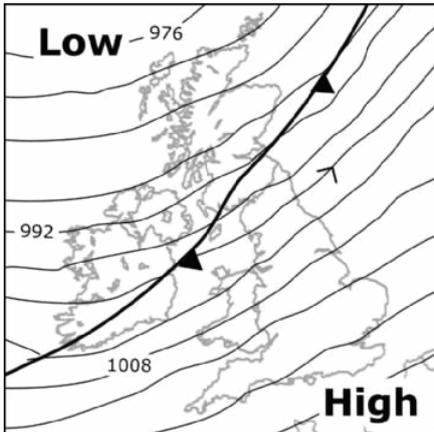
Peak District

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 Thursday, 12 March, 2026



**British Mountain Summary:
Based on forecast chart for noon 12 March, 2026**

Severe gale or storm force upland winds ahead of an active slowly southeastward moving front, which will bring widespread heavy rain and fog to almost all mountain areas. Across Scotland, behind the front, squally hail and snow showers.

Headline for Peak District

Upland severe gales; increasingly wet, and fog.

Detailed Forecast for Thursday, 12 March, 2026

How windy? (On the summits)	Southwesterly 45 to 60mph.
Effect of wind on you?	Challenging walking conditions, considerable buffeting and sometimes any mobility a struggle. Severe wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Drizzly rain; increasingly persistent Starting largely dry but patchy rain and drizzle soon north from Saddlewoth Moor. Gradually the rain more frequent and extending southeastwards across Peak District.
Cloud on the hills?	Lowering in rain Shrouding the hills more or less all day. Generally cloud base dropping to 300 to 450m, perhaps lower afternoon.
Chance of cloud free summits?	30%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Largely cloudy, tending to become dull and misty.
Temperature (at 600m)	6C. Will feel as cold as minus -10C directly in wind.
And in the valleys	10 to 12C.

Peak District - Looking Ahead

	Friday 13 March	Saturday 14 March
How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	West to southwesterly 30 to 35mph, likely strongest in the morning, nearer 40mph, squally gusts around showers. Strenuous walking conditions over exposed higher terrain, buffeting at times and considerable wind chill.	Southwesterly, ranging from 30 to 40mph Most likely gradually strengthening through day. Arduous walking where exposed across higher areas. Considerable wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Hail showers, snow tops Showers with hail, probably merging into constant precipitation over a couple of hours - most likely into the afternoon. Snow likely higher slopes. Small chance isolated lightning.	Risk showers. There may be a few showers, of sleet on highest areas.
Cloud on the hills? Chance of cloud free summits?	May become very extensive Varied cloud base; at times may well reach 600m or above. For periods, particularly in precipitation, cloud lowering to 300 or 400m. 50%	Confined to or above higher tops Cloud base rising through morning, increasingly most cloud at or above 600m. 20% rising to 70%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Bursts of bright sun, most frequent eastern moors. Visibility often very good, briefly reduced to poor in showers.	Patches of sun. Very good visibility.
Temperature (at 600m) And in the valleys	0C rising to 2C afternoon. Feeling like -10 to -13C directly in the wind. 3C from dawn, rising to 7C afternoon, but a few degrees colder in showers.	2C. Will feel as cold as minus 8C directly in the wind. Will reach 8C in the afternoon.

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Friday, 13 March, 2026**

Further bouts of upland gales over the next few days. Precipitation on most mountains almost daily, focussed on western mountains. Freeze thaw cycles will occur: on the Scottish Highlands, thaw periods fairly brief and snow accumulating on many slopes. Further south, lying snow more intermittent as periods of thaw will be lengthier. Temperature levels will rise from about next Tuesday.

Forecast issued at 12:53 on Wednesday, 11 March, 2026

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