

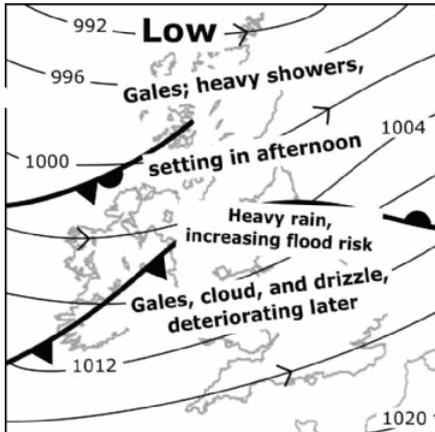
Peak District

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 Tuesday, 24 March, 2026



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 24 March, 2026

Widespread gales, severe early in Scotland. Showers in west Scotland, pushing east, turning snowy and setting in for a time. Near constant rain for Lakeland and Yorks Dales, becoming heavy with a rising flood risk. Rain spreads widely across England and Wales later, wind strengthens in Wales.

Headline for Peak District

Gales; most rain north, spreading widely later in the day

Detailed Forecast for Tuesday, 24 March, 2026

How windy? (On the summits)	Southwesterly 40 to 45mph. Trending towards higher speeds afternoon, reaching 50-55mph for periods in exposure as evening approaches.
Effect of wind on you?	Arduous walking conditions over the hills with considerable wind chill, more difficult mobility in exposed spots and a slight deterioration in conditions with time.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Most rain north, more widespread later Patchy rain and drizzle likely to affect western hills on and off at least, may be heavier and more persistent Lancashire Pennines. Through afternoon, rain becomes increasingly widespread, a risk of heavy downpours later in the day.
Cloud on the hills?	Most extensive west and north, later widely Most cloud above 500-600m, but may cover western moors for periods throughout the day, most extensive over Lancashire Pennines. Lowering more widely as rain sets in, bases 400-500m.
Chance of cloud free summits?	40%, lowering to 10% into evening
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Generally cloudy, some brighter moments mainly morning and in east. Visibility good whilst dry, reducing in rain and fog.
Temperature (at 600m)	Around 7C most of daylight. Later afternoon into evening, starting to lower, then a sharp drop after dark, widely reaching 0C overnight. Feeling like -7 to -10C in the wind.
And in the valleys	8C from dawn, rising to 11C middle of day into afternoon, then lowering into evening.

Peak District - Looking Ahead

	Wednesday 25 March	Thursday 26 March
How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	Northwesterly 30 to 45mph, varying speeds with squally gusts around showers, approaching 50mph. Walking often impeded, frequent buffeting, in places more arduous over higher exposed terrain. Significant wind chill.	North-northwesterly 20-30mph, gradually easing, shifting northwesterly, 15mph into evening. Walking impeded with stability affected on high exposed moors early. Easing to fairly small effects.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Frequent hail and snow Showery snow and hail falling to lower slopes, frequent in western areas from dawn, but increasingly widespread across the region. Chance of isolated thunder & lightning.	Precipitation unlikely Small chance of an odd shower on southernmost Peak District hills around dawn, but soon widely dry.
Cloud on the hills?	Briefly on higher slopes Most cloud above the hills, but patches grazing higher moors mostly western areas around showers.	Any cloud unlikely
Chance of cloud free summits?	70%	90%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Bursts of bright sunshine, most widely morning. Visibility at times very good, but appalling in showers with brief whiteout over tops.	Bright sunshine in the morning, high cloud starting to build from midday onward. Excellent visibility.
Temperature (at 600m) And in the valleys	0 or -1C at dawn. slight rise into afternoon. Wind chill feeling like -10 to -13C on tops. 2C from dawn, rising to 6C afternoon, but dropping back several degrees during showers.	-1 or -2C, lifting to +2C. Feeling like -10C in early wind. Frost in the valleys at dawn, lifting to 6 or 7C.

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Wednesday, 25 March, 2026**

Cold, wintry conditions across all mountains into midweek - significant chill factor from gale force west then northwesterly winds. Hail and snow showers extend southwards into Wednesday, by then below freezing on all tops above 600-700m. Fewer showers by Thursday for many, though further snow then rain moves into western Scotland. Temperature and freezing level then varying as changeable westerlies prevail for Scotland through the weekend into early next week with periods of upland gales widely, accompanied by spells of rain, hill snow and hail showers; some windows of drier weather more often affect England & Wales.

Forecast issued at 15:56 on Monday, 23 March, 2026

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