

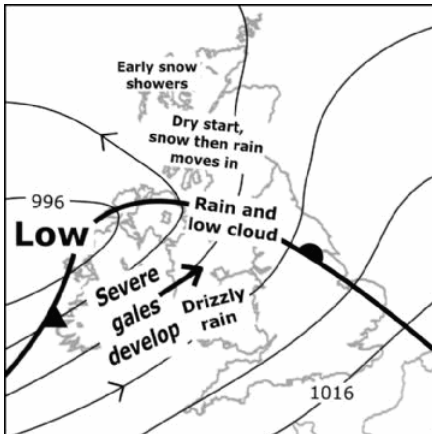
# Peak District

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, 4 April, 2026



### British Mountain Summary:

**Based on forecast chart for noon 4 April, 2026**

A fine start for much of Highlands, a lull in wind, but snow moving in from south, setting in widely afternoon; snow to low elevations, then abruptly rain to tops in southern Highlands later. Rapidly strengthening gales for England & Wales, becoming stormy, extending across Scotland afternoon into evening.

### Headline for Peak District

Gales develop, later severe. Patchy rain for a time.

## Detailed Forecast for Saturday, 4 April, 2026

<p><b>How windy? (On the summits)</b></p> <p><b>Effect of wind on you?</b></p>	<p>Southerly, briefly below 20mph only early in day, but rapid increase to 40-50mph midday into afternoon, 60-70mph high tops evening, with powerful and possibly damaging gusts to lower slopes.</p> <p><b>Small early in day, but deteriorating during daytime - walking becoming challenging then any mobility more difficult later afternoon, gusts could blow you over Considerable wind chill despite mild air.</b></p>
<p><b>How wet?</b> (Precipitation and its impact)</p>	<p><b>Rain and drizzle for a few hours; heavy rain later evening</b></p> <p>Likely dry from dawn, but patchy rain and drizzle develops, more persistent for a time into middle of day in west, though fading afternoon. Toward or after dusk, a band of heavy rain passes west to east. Into night, hail showers.</p>
<p><b>Cloud on the hills?</b></p> <p><b>Chance of cloud free summits?</b></p>	<p><b>Foggy over hills for a few hours at least</b></p> <p>Cloud likely to lower across the moors in the morning, shrouding the hills widely above 400m, possibly lower for a time, then lifting above 500-600m afternoon, tending to break more widely above tops.</p> <p><b>50% at first, soon below 10% for a few hours, then 70% by mid-afternoon.</b></p>
<p><b>Sunshine?</b> Air clarity (below cloud)</p>	<p>Largely overcast, dull or murky, poor visibility for a time, then some improvement to brighter skies and better visibility, some sun though still fairly cloudy afternoon.</p>
<p><b>Temperature (at 600m)</b></p> <p><b>And in the valleys</b></p>	<p>2C at first, rising steadily to 9C afternoon. Then dropping back to 1C into night. Feeling nearer -5C later as wind strengthens.</p> <p>3C up to dawn, rising to 14C afternoon.</p>

## Peak District - Looking Ahead

	Sunday 5 April	Monday 6 April
<b>How windy? (On the summits)</b> <b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	Severe gales from overnight ease up to dawn, then 30-35mph, easing gradually to 25mph afternoon-evening. <b>Strenuous walking conditions, buffeting in exposure, gradually improving but still blustery.</b> <b>Considerable wind chill.</b>	Southwest turning southerly, 15 to 20mph, may increase a little later in day. <b>Fairly small.</b>
<b>How wet?</b> (Precipitation and its impact)	<b>Showers with hail</b> A scattering of showers, most widespread into afternoon, some briefly heavy with hail, some snow mixed in over higher tops mostly above 500m, rain lower down.	<b>Rain unlikely</b>
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>Mostly above tops</b>  Brief patches grazing higher western slopes around showers, but most cloud above the hills.	<b>None expected</b>  Local mist pockets at dawn soon disperse.
<b>Chance of cloud free summits?</b>	<b>80%</b>	<b>Above 90%</b>
<b>Sunshine?</b> Air clarity (below cloud)	Bursts of bright sunshine and very good visibility, but briefly very poor in showers.	Sunshine and a veil of high cloud. Visibility very good, slight haze may develop.
<b>Temperature (at 600m)</b>  <b>And in the valleys</b>	0C rising to 3C afternoon. Feeling like -7 to -10C in the wind.  4C at dawn, rising to 8 or 9C afternoon, dropping a couple of degrees in showers.	1C at dawn, rising to 7C afternoon. Feeling like -4C directly in wind early in day then around +2C afternoon.  Frost in some valleys around dawn. Rising to 12C afternoon.

**Planning Outlook****All mountain areas of Britain from Sunday, 5 April, 2026**

Winter mountain conditions for Easter Sunday - all mountain tops sub-zero all day, above 600-700m in Scotland, 800m in England and Wales - hail and snow showers with gales bringing severe chill factor. Milder southerlies develop during Monday, dry and many hills clear with hazy sun, but gusty wind, risk of gales mainly west coastal mountains of Scotland. Quite warm by Tuesday, but strong to gale force south-southeasterly winds; dry for many, rain encroaching into western Scotland, thawing of recent snow. Scotland likely remains changeable, often windy later in the week, rain at times, varying temperatures, at times below freezing on higher Munros. Often drier and lighter winds for England and Wales.

**Forecast issued at 16:24 on Friday, 3 April, 2026**

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