

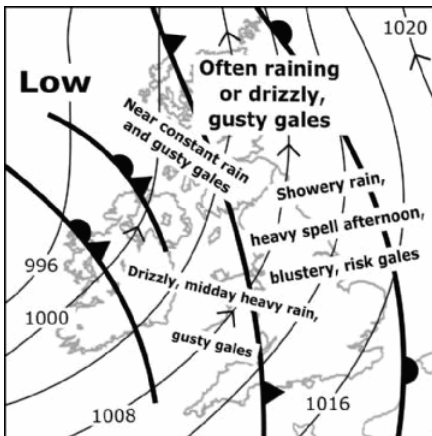
Peak District

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, 15 April, 2026



British Mountain Summary: Based on forecast chart for noon 15 April, 2026

Widespread gales, powerful gusts over tops and down northern slopes, severe at times in Scotland, particularly west. Persistent rain for many, brief dry windows east (notably Pennines), then heavy rain sweeps east afternoon, followed by showers, only easing late in the day. Mild air, but feeling cold in wind.

Headline for Peak District

Scattered rain, heaviest afternoon; windy in exposure

Detailed Forecast for Wednesday, 15 April, 2026

<p>How windy? (On the summits)</p> <p>Effect of wind on you?</p>	<p>South-southwesterly 30-40mph; very gusty, including downslope to the northwest. Speeds somewhat variable, likely stronger late in the day, tops speeds approaching 50mph overnight and southwesterly direction.</p> <p>Strenuous walking with notable wind chill all day, at times arduous in exposure, and buffeting gusts often challenging stability. A risk of more challenging conditions in exposure later in the day.</p>
<p>How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)</p>	<p>Scattered rain, some drizzle, persistent and heavy later</p> <p>Showery rain often affecting the hills much, drizzly over the high summits in the early hours but this easing. Several dry hours possible, but then rain returning afternoon, and later setting in heavily for several hours, breaking into heavy showers late in the day.</p>
<p>Cloud on the hills?</p> <p>Chance of cloud free summits?</p>	<p>Fairly extensive early, improving to summit breaks</p> <p>Extensive over high terrain early and perhaps to middle or lower slopes around Kinder Scout. A lifting trend with time towards the summits, best chance of clear summits afternoon, some variable patches returning, and likely more extensive again later.</p> <p>20% rising to 60%</p>
<p>Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)</p>	<p>Some bursts of afternoon sunshine, though often cloudy.</p> <p>Poor visibility to start but improving, to very good as cloud/rain clears, but deteriorating when rain returns.</p>
<p>Temperature (at 600m)</p> <p>And in the valleys</p>	<p>8C rising to 10 or 11C. Feeling around freezing in direct wind.</p> <p>8 or 9C, mildest start northeast near Marsden. Rising to 15C.</p>

Peak District - Looking Ahead

	Thursday 16 April	Friday 17 April
How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	Southwesterly 30-35mph at dawn, slightly easing morning, more substantially easing afternoon, 15-20mph later. Blustery in exposure much of the day, notably early where walking more strenuous and feeling chilly.	Southerly 25-30mph, gradually strengthening and shifting southwesterly, 35mph over high edges later. May be fairly small at first, but walking soon inconvenienced in exposure, trending more strenuous later in the day.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Some scattered showers Some fine drizzle over the high tops at and before dawn, this soon dissipating. Scattered showers, risk of a heavy bursts, but dry periods too, driest later.	Patchy rain, setting in heavy for a time Patchy rain through the morning, gradually setting in, widely persistent for several hours with heavy falls. Breaking into scattered showers later.
Cloud on the hills?	Little or none Patchy cloud around the high terrain at dawn, some ragged patches may form on lower slopes too, but soon lifting above the summits for cloud-free hills.	Summit breaks early and late, fairly extensive for a time Fog banks grazing high terrain during morning rain, more consistently covering high terrain with time, then more extensive to middle slopes for a few hours during rain. Lifting and breaking later, clear summits at times.
Chance of cloud free summits?	Soon above 90%	60%, reducing to 20% for several hours
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Sunshine breaking out with time for a patchwork of sun and cloud afternoon. Visibility very good.	Mostly cloudy, dull for several hours as rain sets in with poor visibility. Glimpses of sun later with good visibility.
Temperature (at 600m) And in the valleys	6C rising to 9C. Feeling like -5C in direct wind early. 6C at dawn, rising to 13C.	6C rising to 9C. 7 or 8C at dawn, rising to 13C.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Thursday, 16 April, 2026

Unsettled conditions as the weekend approaches: showery on Thursday (local hail and lightning in Scotland), more rain and often heavy on Friday, accompanied by gusty winds, gales over mountains for periods; some bright spells on Thursday and later Friday too. Temperatures will tend to rise several degrees during daylight, even when cloudy, and often becoming warm in the valleys; slopes north of major hill groups often milder too. Saturday sees continued showers, mostly north and west where staying blustery, but a trend towards higher pressure building through late weekend into early next week. Confidence in detail for oncoming high pressure remains very low: a risk of chilly easterly wind for a time with showers, mostly east and southern areas.

Forecast issued at 16:25 on Tuesday, 14 April, 2026

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