

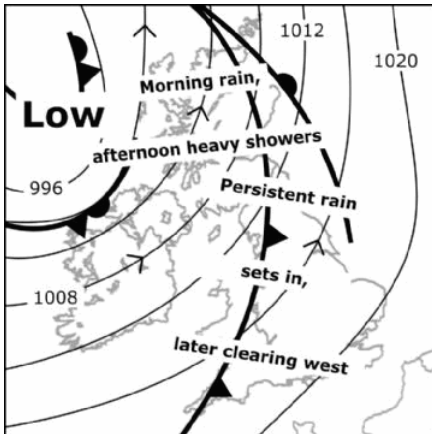
# Peak District

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 Friday, 17 April, 2026



### British Mountain Summary: Based on forecast chart for noon 17 April, 2026

Strong, gusty wind all day, gales in Scotland, risk severe coastal northwest. Persistent early rain in Scotland breaks to heavy showers, frequent west, clusters spreading east. Several hours of heavy rain sweeps east across England and Wales; driest start Pennines, and dry windows later in Snowdonia and Lakeland.

### Headline for Peak District

Rain sets in from midday; strong wind, gusty

## Detailed Forecast for Friday, 17 April, 2026

<b>How windy? (On the summits)</b>	Southwesterly 30-35mph, some variability and gusty, strongest gusts occasionally reaching 40mph over highest summits.
<b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	<b>Blustery in exposure most of the day, walking becoming strenuous during strongest gusts; notable wind chill and buffeting.</b>
<b>How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)</b>	<b>Rain sets in through most of afternoon</b> A few spots of drizzly rain in the morning, though often dry. As midday approaches, rain begins setting in, persistent falls for several afternoon hours with heavy bursts, and may linger into evening.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>Fairly extensive for a time, summit breaks early and late</b> Fog banks grazing high terrain during morning rain, more consistently covering high terrain with time, then more extensive to middle slopes for several hours during rain. Beginning to lift later in the day as rain eases, though may be slow to clear until evening.
<b>Chance of cloud free summits?</b>	<b>70%, reducing to 20% well into the day</b>
<b>Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)</b>	Mostly cloudy from dawn and dull for several afternoon hours as rain sets in with poor visibility. Some brighter skies possible later in the day but little sun expected.
<b>Temperature (at 600m)</b>	6C rising to 8 or 9C. Notably cooling overnight by several degrees. Feeling near or below freezing in direct wind.
<b>And in the valleys</b>	7 or 8C at dawn, rising to 12C.

## Peak District - Looking Ahead

	<b>Saturday 18 April</b>	<b>Sunday 19 April</b>
<b>How windy? (On the summits)</b> <b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	Westerly 20 to 25mph, occasional 30mph higher moors and tops, gusty in showers. Trending northwesterly. <b>Fairly small effect on walking, but feeling blustery and chilly in exposure on higher areas.</b>	Northerly 10mph and often less, though nearer 15mph in the morning. <b>Negligible</b>
<b>How wet?</b> (Precipitation and its impact)	<b>Scattered showers, risk hail</b> Scattered showery rain, at times more frequent with heavy bursts/hail, but also extended dry periods.	<b>Likely dry</b> A small chance of odd light showers, but probably dry.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>  <b>Chance of cloud free summits?</b>	<b>Mostly above hills</b>  Brief patchy cloud grazing higher slopes mainly toward the west in the morning, otherwise generally above the hills.  <b>80%</b>	<b>Likely none</b>  A few odd mist patches in sheltered valleys at dawn, these soon dissipating for cloud-free moors.  <b>Above 90%</b>
<b>Sunshine?</b> Air clarity (below cloud)	Occasional sun best toward east in the morning, then brief bursts of sun later. Visibility often excellent, briefly reduced during showers.	Mostly sunny, some thin high cloud around, and increasingly a patchwork through afternoon. Excellent visibility.
<b>Temperature (at 600m)</b>  <b>And in the valleys</b>	5C, rising to 6 or 7C. Feeling below freezing directly in the wind.  6C at dawn, rising to 12C afternoon.	2 or 3C, rising to 8C.  2C from dawn, perhaps some local light frosts. Rising to 11C.

**Planning Outlook****All mountain areas of Britain from Saturday, 18 April, 2026**

Saturday stays showery, heavy at times with hail, most frequent and heavy in Scotland and northern England. Sun between the showers, conditions improving from the south, and then the weather more widely settled on Sunday: light or negligible wind, often sunny with chilly morning temperatures, though widely rising by at least a few degrees. High pressure north of Scotland next week facilitates east-to northeasterly winds, which may be quite blustery and gusty at times. Generally cooler temperatures too. Occasional light showers drifting from the east, notably early week, snow flurries on higher terrain. Variable freezing levels, likely lowest early in the week, and also some valley frosts at dawn. A mix of cloud and sunshine, most often sunny to the west of high hill groups where temperatures more mild.

**Forecast issued at 15:32 on Thursday, 16 April, 2026**

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