

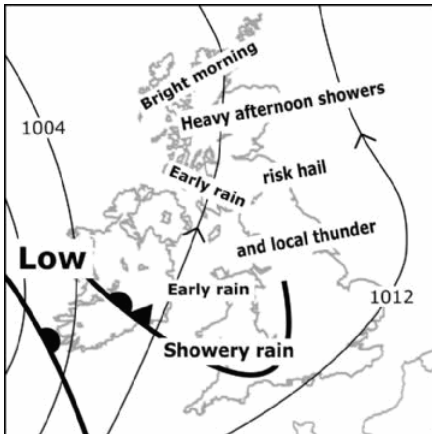
Peak District

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 Monday, 18 May, 2026



**British Mountain Summary:
Based on forecast chart for noon 18 May, 2026**

Variable hill cloud at dawn, early rain in Wales into Lakeland and south/eastern Scotland; NW Scotland starts clear. Most cloud lifts to or above summits. Heavy afternoon showers build over the Pennines northward across most of Scotland; risk hail and local thunder. Risk lingering rain south Wales.

Headline for Peak District

Scattered showers increasingly heavy; most cloud above hills

Detailed Forecast for Monday, 18 May, 2026

<p>How windy? (On the summits)</p> <p>Effect of wind on you?</p>	<p>South-southwesterly 10mph most of the day, some variability around this value and also some strong gusts around showers. Turning southerly late in the day and deteriorating later overnight.</p> <p>Fairly small, but may become blustery around showers at times.</p>
<p>How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)</p>	<p>Showers increasingly heavy</p> <p>Patchy rain from overnight lingers into the morning, this breaking into showers. The showers become heavy afternoon with a risk of hail, a small chance of localised lightning.</p>
<p>Cloud on the hills?</p> <p>Chance of cloud free summits?</p>	<p>Lifting, largely clearing</p> <p>Varied cloud banks around hills in morning, mostly west where may reach lower slopes. Lifting higher up and increasingly above hills by late morning, largely clear into afternoon but some ragged patches may return to high terrain around showers.</p> <p>40% rising to 80%</p>
<p>Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)</p>	<p>Variable cloud, glimpses of sun, perhaps a greater chance of sun for several afternoon hours, but high cloud thickens again later in day.</p> <p>Visibility generally very good.</p>
<p>Temperature (at 600m)</p> <p>And in the valleys</p>	<p>4C rising to 8 or 9C.</p> <p>6C at dawn, rising to 14C afternoon.</p>

Peak District - Looking Ahead

	Tuesday 19 May	Wednesday 20 May
How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	Southerly 35-45mph and gusty early; shifting southwesterly, easing for a time to 25-35mph, restrengthening later. Strenuous walking with buffeting and wind chill in exposure early; easing with time but remaining a nuisance in exposure.	West-southwesterly 25-35mph; risk of a swathe of stronger wind afternoon, up to 45mph. Blustery in exposure most of the day, moments of strenuous walking and feeling chilly; risk deteriorating for a few hours.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Often raining Frequent showers affect the hills most of the day, at times merging into broader areas of rain; rain most frequent or persistent western slopes, perhaps more widely early. Risk isolated hail and lightning.	Periods of rain Rain will come and go for much of the day; feeling humid even during the drier windows and a lingering drizzle is possible on the summits. May ease later in the day.
Cloud on the hills?	Fairly extensive, improving Cloud shrouds the hills to the low slopes at dawn and into morning. With time, a general lifting trend; may at times lift to the high tops with a brief summit break, but returning to at least middle slopes during rain.	Regular breaks off summits Fairly extensive early to middle slopes and locally lower to the west. Bases rise through morning to the high summits, breaks off summits likely during dry windows, particularly later.
Chance of cloud free summits?	Rising to 40%	Rising to 70%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	A few glimpses of sun here and there. Largely poor visibility, brief improvements.	Glimpses of sun. Variable visibility, starting mostly poor but improving during dry windows.
Temperature (at 600m) And in the valleys	7C rising to 11C, perhaps slightly cooler Lancashire Pennines. Feeling like -3 to -6C in direct wind. 7C at dawn rising to 15C.	7C rising to 11 or 12C. Feeling just above freezing in strongest direct wind. 8C from dawn, rising to 15C.

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Tuesday, 19 May, 2026**

A mixed but milder outlook. Damp southwesterlies prevail for a few days as mid-week approaches with regular rain and showers, most on western hills where drizzly rain may persist between showers and persistent low cloud. Expect increasingly wet conditions underfoot and slippery rock surfaces. Also, a risk of isolated hail and lightening in the showers; showers may be enhanced in eastern Scotland in sea breezes. Indications of rising pressure later in the week, brining milder and drier conditions to England and Wales. However, some drizzle and low cloud may continue to affect western hills, with periods of rain and wind continuing to affect Scotland. Pressure may continue to rise into the weekend, allowing for warmer and sunnier conditions, but some fronts and lingering humidity will bring local periods of rain.

Forecast issued at 16:27 on Sunday, 17 May, 2026

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