

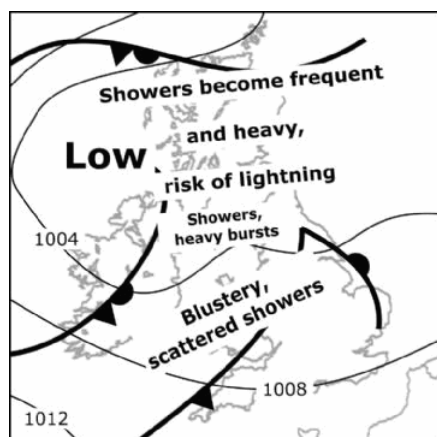
Peak District

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, 19 August, 2026



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 19 August, 2026

Slow-moving showers across Scotland, trending more frequent and heavy afternoon with thundery downpours; light wind but gusty around showers. Showers in England, most frequent and heavy early and into night in northern areas with thunder risk. Scattered showers and sun in Wales on a westerly wind.

Headline for Peak District

Showers, occasionally clustering; breezy and gusty

Detailed Forecast for Wednesday, 19 August, 2026

How windy? (On the summits)	West-southwesterly 20 to 25mph, gusty in rain.
Effect of wind on you?	Gusty conditions affecting ease of walking, feeling rather cool.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Showers A scattering of showers passing west to east during the day, occasionally coming in clusters. Heavier bursts increasingly probable through afternoon.
Cloud on the hills?	Variably lowering onto high edges Occasional patches of cloud capping higher slopes, mostly during and just after rain locally, most common toward north. A layer of cloud will more extensively shroud the high western edges just in the morning.
Chance of cloud free summits?	70%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Most often cloudy, but occasional glimpses of sun breaking out. Visibility mostly good.
Temperature (at 600m)	10C rising to 13C. Feeling like 4 to 7C directly in the wind.
And in the valleys	11C at dawn, rising to 17C afternoon.

Peak District - Looking Ahead

	Thursday 20 August	Friday 21 August
How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	Westerly turning north later northeasterly, speed likely varying 10 to 25mph, likely strongest later in day. Fairly small for periods, but feeling noticeably cool if exposed to fresher breeze on tops.	Northerly 10mph and sometimes less; some gusts may form around later showers. Negligible.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Frequent rain, some heavy/thundery Some patchy rain in the morning, with time developing more widely into frequent or persistent rain, thundery downpours mixed in. Beware sudden, rapid rise of steams.	Afternoon showers The morning is likely dry. Through afternoon, a rising risk of showery outbreaks, some local heavy falls forming
Cloud on the hills? Chance of cloud free summits?	Sometimes covering tops Varied cloud base, lowering onto higher moors mostly around 500-600m in rain, and perhaps more widely extensive for several afternoon hours as rain develops more widely. 50% lowering to 30%	Largely clear Around dawn, patchy mist around at varied elevations, including in valleys (not necessarily covering tops), this dissipating for clear hills. A rising chance of cloud banks lowering onto the high edges where rain develops. 90%, lowering to 70%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Mostly cloudy, rare sun breaking through. Visibility good at times, but poor in rain.	Patchy sun through high cloud, trending often cloudy for several afternoon hours. Good visibility, may variably deteriorate with arrival of rain.
Temperature (at 600m) And in the valleys	10 to 12C, notably cooling into night. Feeling like 4 to 6C in stronger wind. 10C at dawn, rising to 16C early afternoon, soon beginning to cool again.	8C rising to 12C. 8C rising to 17C.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Thursday, 20 August, 2026

As the weekend approaches, wind will shift northerly, moving showers and afternoon thundery downpours further south with time. Generally lighter wind but gusts will be common around showers. Temperature lowering later this week too, dropping close to freezing on high Scottish tops on Friday morning (chance of sleet/snow here) and frost may occur in Highland glens over a couple of nights. More often dry with few lighter showers over the weekend as higher pressure builds into the southwest. Conditions remain on the drier, brighter side early next week, pressure dropping again as the week goes: periods of cloud and rain for most hill groups, and perhaps some stronger wind at times. Detail beyond the weekend is uncertain, and there may well be windows of better weather through the week too.

Forecast issued at 16:27 on Tuesday, 18 August, 2026

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