

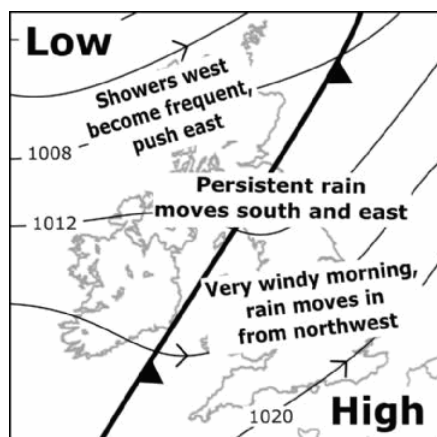
Peak District

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.



MWIS Mountain Skills and Weather - 24-25th October - Plas Y Brenin, Snowdonia
Indoor-outdoor skills course - introduction to mountaineering and understanding the weather

General Summary for Thursday, 15 October, 2026



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 15 October, 2026

A band of rain over south Scotland moves south and east, several hours of steady rain first reach north England and gradually spreads into Wales and Pennines. Very windy and mild England and Wales before the rain arrives. Scotland is chilly with showers and sun breaks, showers increase and push east with time.

Headline for Peak District

Windy, gusty; patchy rain approaches from north afternoon

Detailed Forecast for Thursday, 15 October, 2026

How windy? (On the summits)	Southwesterly 35-45mph, some variability and powerful gusts for a time, though a lessening trend later, finishing nearer 30mph and further lessening into night.
Effect of wind on you?	Strenuous walking in exposure, more arduous at times when buffeting gusts challenging stability; a general easing trend but walking remains impeded all day; significant wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Substantially dry during daylight A little damp air/drizzle may affect the high edges but otherwise largely dry well into the day. A rising chance of some patchy rain as afternoon goes, steady falls with heavy bursts forming but this may only be around or after sunset.
Cloud on the hills?	Varied over tops, deteriorating late Some ragged cloud may graze the high edges at times; a few early hours when patches may form more widely (particularly sheltered slopes), but will generally clear off the hills for several hours. As rain arrives from the north, cloud lowers fairly extensively, to 500m and increasingly lower.
Chance of cloud free summits?	80%, later lowering to 40%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Patchy sun, weakened by high cloud, becoming overcast as afternoon goes. Generally good visibility, then suddenly poor when cloud and rain arrive.
Temperature (at 600m)	10C rising to 13 or 14C, only slightly cooling into night at first, then more sharply cooling as night goes. Feeling just above 0C in strongest wind.
And in the valleys	11C at dawn, rising to a mild 17C.

Peak District - Looking Ahead

	Friday 16 October	Saturday 17 October
How windy? (On the summits)	Northwesterly 25-30mph just around dawn, trending lighter, 20-25mph.	Northeasterly 15-20mph. Gusts over high tops may approach 25mph or higher.
Effect of wind on you?	Blustery moments in exposure, particularly early, but also fairly small at times.	Fairly small, though some nuisance gusts may impact comfort of walking on tops.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	A few hours of frequent showers A few odd light showers may reach some west hills in the morning, then a cluster of showers with local heavy bursts affects the hill for a few hours, ultimately easing back into evening.	No rain expected
Cloud on the hills?	Substantially clear A little ragged cloud may cling to some slopes around dawn, this soon lifting and dissipating for substantially cloud-free hills. As showers cluster, cloud banks may return to high tops.	Any early cloud soon clear A little patchy cloud at varied heights in the morning, a little mist in sheltered valleys, soon lifting and dissipating after sunrise for clear hills.
Chance of cloud free summits?	90%, briefly lowering during showers	90%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Often sunny, some patchy high cloud at times, more often for a few afternoon hours. Very good visibility.	Mostly sunny, some patchy high cloud around. Very good visibility.
Temperature (at 600m)	6 or 7C, may locally rise a degree on sun-exposed slopes.	4C rising to 6 or 7C.
And in the valleys	7C at dawn, rising to 11C.	Around 3C at dawn, though some frosts likely in sheltered valleys. Rising to 11C.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Friday, 16 October, 2026

Friday starts fresh with local valley frosts, freezing level onto the highest Munros. Bright for many, though showers affect west areas, particularly Scotland, and spread more widely afternoon. A window of settled weather follows over the weekend as a core of high pressure builds over Scotland. Clear night skies allow for chilly mornings with ground frosts and some valley mist. Sun breaking out, though some cloud will linger on upper slopes, only limited scope for local inversion conditions. An easterly breeze will keep the skies a touch cloudier in England and Wales, chance a little light rain for England on Sunday. Pressure remains high into next week though some areas of low pressure will try to break through. Forecast confidence reduces from mid-week with a risk of unsettled conditions returning.

Forecast issued at 16:20 on Wednesday, 14 October, 2026

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