

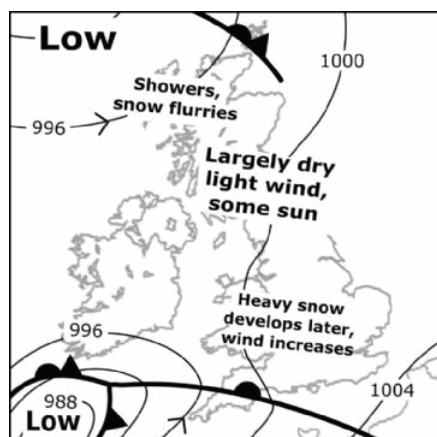
Eryri / Snowdonia National Park

Includes all summits in the the northern half of Wales from Pumlumon northwards.



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General Summary for Thursday, 8 January, 2026



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 8 January, 2026

Fairly benign conditions, breezier in northern Scotland. Local snow flurries, patchy cloud and some sun. A developing system to the southwest moves into Wales with heavy snow setting in increasingly widely later, extending into the Peak District by evening, accompanied by gales.

Headline for Eryri / Snowdonia National Park

Wind increasing ahead of snow setting in evening onward.

Detailed Forecast for Thursday, 8 January, 2026

How windy? (On the summits)	Westerly at first 20mph, soon often less, variable direction. Becoming easterly by dusk, rapidly 30-50mph evening, turning northerly into night.
Effect of wind on you?	Mostly small during daylight. Deteriorating quickly into the evening.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Patchy light snow, heavy snow after dark Occasional snow flurries on tops, sleet or rain to mid-slopes. Toward evening and into night, increasingly persistent and heavier snow developing to lower elevations, greatest amounts east.
Cloud on the hills?	Varied cloud and fog Patchy cloud around some higher tops, possible fog some valleys also. Later cloud banks developing more widely over hills.
Chance of cloud free summits?	50%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	High cloud thickening across the sky. Visibility very good in morning, possible haze or mist lower down.
How Cold? (at 900m)	-1 or -2C. Starting to feel colder up to dusk as wind increases, wind chill -10C after dark.
Freezing Level	700 to 800m, partly frozen terrain lower down, slight frost from dawn inland valleys. Toward evening dropping to 200-400m, then to most lower slopes later evening.

Eryri / Snowdonia National Park - Looking Ahead

	Friday 9 January	Saturday 10 January
How windy? (On the summits)	North to northwesterly 25 to 40mph, risk over 50mph up to dawn.	North-northwesterly 15 to 25mph.
Effect of wind on you?	Considerable wind chill and affecting ease of walking on exposed terrain; risk more challenging early in day.	Fairly small, but risk noticeable wind chill in exposure on hills.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Snow fading, local showers Expect considerable fresh lying snow from valleys upward inland following overnight falls, which may continue as light snow into the morning, turning to sleet or rain lower slopes, breaking into showers.	Local showers, flurries Risk of occasional light showers drifting in from the coast, snow flurries over hills, mostly rain spots below 500m.
Cloud on the hills?	Fairly extensive, rising to tops Shrouding most higher areas in the morning, banks of cloud mid-slopes up in places. Tending to lift to higher slopes, but often capping tops in north and west.	Varied patches Patches of cloud some slopes, may often drift over higher tops, well broken further inland. Local mist possible in valleys.
Chance of cloud free summits?	30%	60%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Largely cloudy, rare if any sun due to a veil of high cloud. Difficult navigation if in fog over snow cover, visibility may improve with time away from showers.	Mix of cloud and sun. Visibility very good.
How Cold? (at 900m)	-2 or -3C. Feeling like -10C if exposed to stronger winds.	-2C. Feeling like -8C if exposed to wind.
Freezing Level	500 to 600m, but terrain partly frozen into valleys inland in the morning, where snow cover may persist.	Much terrain frozen inland, frost into valleys in morning; then 400-500m, up to 600-700m nearest the west coast.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Friday, 9 January, 2026

Terrain remaining widely frozen into the weekend, extensive deep snow cover for Highlands, less nearer the central belt. A fresh good covering for Wales and south Pennines from Thursday night too. Quiet weather for Saturday daytime. Then into Sunday, southerly winds strengthen to gales - as a frontal system approaches, snow then freezing rain is likely. A rise of freezing level from the southwest - some thawing develops, rising just above freezing toward higher slopes; more pronounced thawing in England and Wales to the tops. Uncertain patterns next week, colder air may return across Scotland, whilst further south often generally milder. Some further hill snow mainly in Scotland.

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