

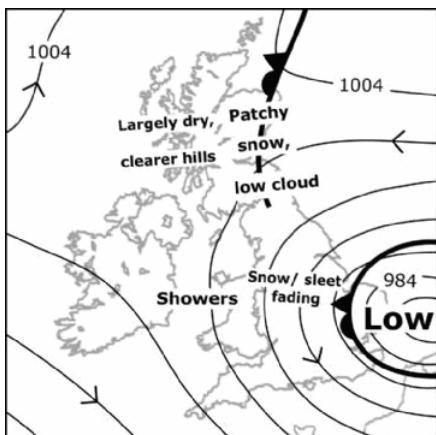
# Eryri / Snowdonia National Park

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



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## General Summary for Friday, 9 January, 2026



### British Mountain Summary:

#### Based on forecast chart for noon 9 January, 2026

Patchy snowfall and low cloud over the eastern Highlands & N/E Pennines, little if any reaching western Scotland where hills will be clearer, some low-level fog. Extensive fresh snow cover for Wales and Peak District, residual flurries fade, but wind remains strong; showers with hail near west coast of Wales.

### Headline for Eryri / Snowdonia National Park

Windy, gales on tops morning. Showers, hail; extensive lying snow.

## Detailed Forecast for Friday, 9 January, 2026

How windy? (On the summits)	North to northwesterly 30 to 40mph, nearer 50mph up to dawn, tending to ease slightly during daytime.
Effect of wind on you?	Considerable wind chill and affecting ease of walking on exposed terrain; risk more challenging early in day.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	<b>Showers with hail, snow on tops</b> Expect considerable fresh lying snow from valleys upward inland following overnight falls, substantial drifts in places. Continuing light snowfall into the morning, turning to sleet or rain lower slopes, breaking into showers, some heavy near coast with hail, plus snow over hills above 400-500m.
Cloud on the hills?	<b>Fairly extensive, rising to tops</b> 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.
Chance of cloud free summits?	30%
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 and if snow blows around; visibility improves with time away from showers.
How Cold? (at 900m)	-2 or -3C. Feeling like -10C if exposed to stronger winds.
Freezing Level	500 to 600m, but terrain partly frozen into valleys inland in the morning, where snow cover persists.

## Eryri / Snowdonia National Park - Looking Ahead

	Saturday 10 January	Sunday 11 January
<b>How windy? (On the summits)</b>	North-northwesterly 15 to 20mph, strongest early morning, likely to ease and shift west later southwesterly.	Southerly, strengthening rapidly up to dawn, in range 45 to 60mph much of daytime, at times 70mph high tops.
<b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	<b>Mostly small, but risk noticeable wind chill in exposure on hills early in day.</b>	<b>Difficult conditions with frequent buffeting and powerful gusts to some lower slopes, significant wind chill.</b>
<b>How wet?</b> (Precipitation and its impact)	<b>Local showers, flurries</b> Risk of occasional light showers drifting in from the coast, snow flurries over hills, mostly rain spots below 500m.	<b>Snow soon rain</b> Snow briefly over the hills, moving in quickly, possibly freezing rain for a time, soon becoming sleet then all rain up to higher slopes, setting in heavier over western hills in particular.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>Varied patches</b> Patches of cloud some slopes, may often drift over higher tops, well broken further inland. Local mist possible in valleys.	<b>Extensive</b> Shrouding the hills widely, to lower slopes near coast and Llyn peninsula, higher bases toward north of the A5 and more eastern groups.
<b>Chance of cloud free summits?</b>	<b>60%</b>	<b>20%</b>
<b>Sunshine?</b> Air clarity (below cloud)	Mix of cloud and sun. Visibility very good.	Overcast and mostly dull. Visibility generally very poor.
<b>How Cold? (at 900m)</b>	-2C. Feeling like -8C if exposed to wind in morning.	0C rising toward +5C, small variation of temperature with height. Wind chill feeling like -10 to -15C.
<b>Freezing Level</b>	Much terrain frozen inland, frost into valleys in morning; then 400-500m, up to 600-700m nearest the west coast.	300 to 500m up to dawn, partly frozen into inland valleys; rising variably but perhaps quickly above freezing to high tops.

**Planning Outlook****All mountain areas of Britain from Saturday, 10 January, 2026**

Terrain stays widely frozen away from coastal slopes this weekend, fresh extensive snow for Wales and Peak District, whilst substantial snow remains across Scottish mountains. By 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 - thawing develops, rising just above freezing toward all higher slopes; in England and Wales much snow will thaw - here only occasionally near freezing on highest tops in the week ahead. In Scotland next week, higher mountains often near or below freezing at 800-1000m upward. A mix of rain and high-level snowfall, often windy through mid-month.

**Forecast issued at 16:10 on Thursday, 8 January, 2026**

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