Lake District

The entire Lake District National Park, taking in all major summits, including Scafell, Helvellyn, Skiddaw, the Langdales and Old Man of Coniston.

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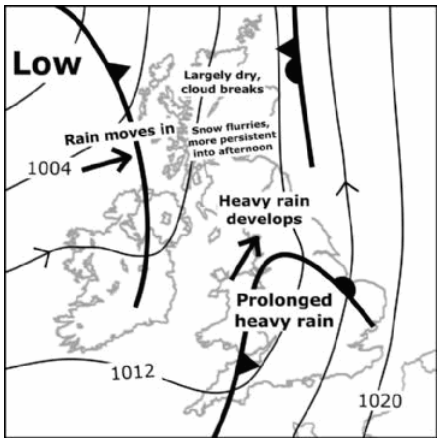
General Summary for Saturday, 28 November, 2026



British Mountain Summary:
Based on forecast chart for noon 28 November, 2026

Strong to gale force winds, significant chill factor. Snow flurries southern Highlands, persistent afternoon; drier northwards, some cloud breaks, otherwise blanket fog - rime ice on Scottish mountains, plus snow cover fairly widely, most substantial south. Heavy rain sets in widely over England and Wales.

Headline for Lake District

Rain increasingly heavy, very low cloud; windy, risk gales tops.

Detailed Forecast for Saturday, 28 November, 2026

How windy? (On the summits)	Southerly, speeds varying, 25 to 40mph, strongest in morning, may briefly gust 50mph higher fells; tending to lessen into afternoon, but from dusk may suddenly increase again for a time.
Effect of wind on you?	**Prepare for considerable wind chill, sometimes walking strenuous or in places more challenging on exposed high terrain.**
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	**Rain setting in heavier** Rain initially patchy, early snow flurries high tops, but with time steadier and heavier rain setting in up to the summits, the most prolonged heavy rain particularly in south during afternoon. Breaking up to showers into night.
Cloud on the hills?	**Persistent across fells** Extensive sheet of cloud shrouding the fells, in places to some lower elevations on south-facing slopes; some breaks between cloud banks mainly north Lakeland.
Chance of cloud free summits?	**10%**
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Overcast, dull and misty, hazy at best most lower terrain, locally some brighter moments northern Cumbria in morning; becoming widely poor.
How Cold? (at 750m)	2 or 3C, rising a little; small change with added height. Risk of wind chill feeling like -10C if speeds rise.
Freezing Level	Above the summits, but some higher slopes close to freezing point and beware of some icy surfaces on the fells.

Lake District - Looking Ahead

	Sunday 29 November	Monday 30 November
How windy? (On the summits) **Effect of wind on you?**	Southwesterly, speeds varying during day, often in range 30 to 40mph, but risk 50mph+ at least in gusts for periods. **Expect strenuous walking conditions most of day, potentially more challenging at times; considerable wind chill.**	Southwesterly 50 to 70mph, tending to increase during the day; marked rise of speed with height, gusty lower down. **Increasingly severe conditions on high terrain; challenging walking in places on lower hills with significant wind chill.**
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	**Rain sets in for a time** A band of rain likely passes eastward during the morning to midday, may set in heavy for an hour or more, with wet snow on higher slopes. Later scattered showers.	**Heavy rain developing** Rain may start light and patchy, but soon persistent falls likely to set in widely, the more incessant heavy rain focused on southwestern fells. Increasingly very wet underfoot, streams in spate.
Cloud on the hills? **Chance of cloud free summits?**	**Often covering high tops** Varying cloud extent, but likely to often cap tops above 800m, particularly southwestern areas, lowering further in rain. Occasional higher breaks north. **30%**	**Increasingly extensive** Varied cloud banks at first, but soon likely shrouding the hills widely above 600m, or lower at times near to coast. Highest breaks occasionally near Ullswater. **10%**
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Brief glimpses of sun at times mostly north. Visibility intermittently very good, but poor in rain.	Overcast and becoming murky. Hazy at best, visibility increasingly mostly poor due to rain.
How Cold? (at 750m) **Freezing Level**	3C. Feeling like -10C in stronger wind. Above freezing to tops.	Rising from before dawn up to 7C, then little change all day. Feeling like -7C in the wind. Well above freezing to highest summits; any previously frozen terrain will all thaw.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Sunday, 29 November, 2026

Southwesterly upland gales on Sunday, severe for a time on high tops; a showery mix of rain and snow passing eastwards. Then severe gales widely on the mountains by Monday, storm-force higher terrain, accompanied by incessant heavy rain focused on western Scotland and a rapid thaw - the rain sets in for England & Wales too, persistent here into Tuesday - expect flooding and some routes to be impassable. Dropping back sub-zero on Scottish tops by Tuesday & Wednesday, with a showery mix of rain, snow and hail. High pressure then builds later in the week - drier conditions for a time, but a mixed west-southwesterly may persist or soon return for Scotland; temperatures varying.

Forecast issued at 14:30 on Friday, 27 November, 2026

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