

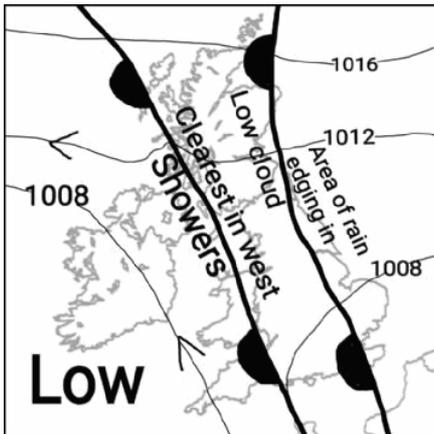
Lake District

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 Wednesday, 1 May, 2024



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 1 May, 2024

East to southeast winds, mostly moderate in strength, will bring low cloud to eastern hills, but breaking up widely in the west with patchy sun. The legacy of a front will act as a focus for scattered heavy shower development, whilst an area of rain may spread in across parts of the east and Wales later in the day.

Headline for Lake District

Varied cloud and patchy sun. Risk of some showers developing.

Detailed Forecast for Wednesday, 1 May, 2024

How windy? (On the summits)	East to southeasterly between 10 and 20mph: generally strongest in the morning.
Effect of wind on you?	Small
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Risk of showers. Rain and drizzle on and off before dawn may continue into the day in some areas but should soon fizzle out. Risk scattered heavy showers afternoon.
Cloud on the hills?	All clearing Very varied cloud base from dawn, in places covering lowest slopes, whilst higher areas are between cloud layers. Slowly the cloud will break up; by midday or early afternoon, summits cloud free.
Chance of cloud free summits?	40% rising to 80%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Cloud layers gradually thinning and breaking to give a patchwork of sun. Excellent visibility.
How Cold? (at 750m)	6C rising toward 11C
Freezing Level	Above the summits.

Lake District - Looking Ahead

	Thursday 2 May	Friday 3 May
How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	Easterly 30mph to suddenly gusty 50mph around some tops, powerful gusts in passes and downslope to west. Widely very blustery, but expect sudden buffeting making walking arduous in places not just on higher terrain.	Easterly 15 to 25mph in morning, tending to ease out in the afternoon. Blustery conditions in the morning, but tending to ease out in the afternoon.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Rain unlikely Chance of a little drizzle if around patchy cloud banks.	Risk of rain, perhaps for much of the day. Large uncertainty: An elongated area of low pressure and its associated complex frontal zone, may drift across area to bring wet conditions for several hours.
Cloud on the hills? Chance of cloud free summits?	Mostly little Most fells clear, an odd patch of cloud clinging to some slopes occasionally, mainly eastern areas. 80%	May well be extensive Risk of low cloud shrouding the hills extensively in fog throughout the day. Highest bases and best breaks across western fells. 40%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Sun and thin high cloud. Very good visibility, possible slight haze.	Overcast cloud layers most likely. Visibility often poor should rain set in.
How Cold? (at 750m) Freezing Level	8C to locally above 10C in west. Feeling close to freezing directly in wind. Above the summits	8 to 10C, highest in the west. Above the summits

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Thursday, 2 May, 2024

High pressure to the north and a slow-moving area of low pressure circulating to the south during midweek. Scattered showers possible for the Highlands, but a lot of dry weather - warmest and clearest in the west. Powerful easterly winds will be very gusty by Thursday into early Friday, especially Scotland and northern England, then easing. A front brings a risk of persistent rain for Wales on Thursday. Slow-moving weather patterns are likely to continue onward into the Bank Holiday weekend, giving considerable uncertainty of local day-to-day detail, but most likely the wind often light and fairly warm overall. A good amount of dry and bright weather, but risk of locally thundery showers forming.

Forecast issued at 16:38 on Tuesday, 30 April, 2024

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