

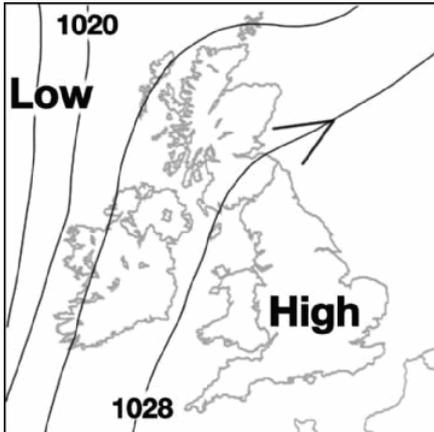
Lake District

The entire Lake District National Park, taking in all major summits, including Scafell, Helvellyn, Skiddaw, the Langdales and Old Man of Coniston. Also includes the Howgill Fells east of Kendal (the NW extension of Yorks Dales).



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General Summary for Friday, 15 January, 2021



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 15 January, 2021

A very transient ridge of high pressure will bring a fine day with sunshine on the hills. Fog and murk will persist many lower areas. Much mountain terrain frozen; and in some areas very icy (after the recent mix of snow and rain in sub-freezing temperatures).

Headline for Lake District

Much terrain frozen. Sunshine. Wind strengthening toward dusk.

Detailed Forecast for Friday, 15 January, 2021

How windy? (On the summits)	Morning: direction varied 10mph or less. Afternoon: southerly 10 to 15mph, perhaps 20mph by dusk.
Effect of wind on you?	Mostly negligible.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Precipitation not expected
Cloud on the hills?	Summits extensively cloud free Here and there patches of cloud on higher slopes, but overall the hills free of cloud - whilst ribbons of fog persist in and above some valleys.
Chance of cloud free summits?	80%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Extensive bright sun before high level cloud progressively weakens the sun. The air very clear indeed on the mountains; fog lower slopes south Lakes.
How Cold? (at 750m)	-1C. Note little variation in temperature with height.
Freezing Level	Poorly defined: by midday 300 to 600m. Much terrain frozen or partly frozen although some daylight thawing mainly sunlit slopes.

Lake District - Looking Ahead

	Saturday 16 January	Sunday 17 January
How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	South veering westerly during morning, typically 40mph, but 50mph at first (followed by a brief lull). Walking often difficult where exposed and wind chill significant.	Westerly 30mph. Walking may well be arduous at times on higher areas.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Frequent precipitation Overnight rain, or on higher fells snow, will ease. However, there will still be showers, with the risk of the precipitation almost constant for an hour or two. Snow will penetrate as low as 400m by dusk.	Snow showers Occasional snow showers, although mostly rain lowest slopes. Risk of the precipitation frequent toward dusk.
Cloud on the hills? Chance of cloud free summits?	Blanket fog, covering even lower hills Cloud extensive across the hills all day, covering lower slopes western mountains. By late morning, typically cloud base 350 to 500m western mountains and 500 to locally 700m east Cumbria. 10%	Extensive across higher fells Cloud base will vary, most often 650 to 850m generally highest eastern fells. Near precipitation will deteriorate with areas of cloud above 450m. 20%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Glimpses of sun developing lower slopes east Cumbria. Frequently hazy, and visibility poor in precipitation.	Occasional sun, mainly lower eastern slopes. Visibility frequently excellent, but abruptly very poor in snow.
How Cold? (at 750m) Freezing Level	1C; may drop to -1C from west by dusk 850m; later 650m.	0C 800m

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Saturday, 16 January, 2021**

Precipitation will fall at some stage most days over the next week or more; mostly falling as snow. In Scotland, the Munros will remain almost persistently sub-freezing, whilst further south, temperatures on higher summits will fluctuate either side of freezing point.

Forecast issued at 15:19 on Thursday, 14 January, 2021

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