

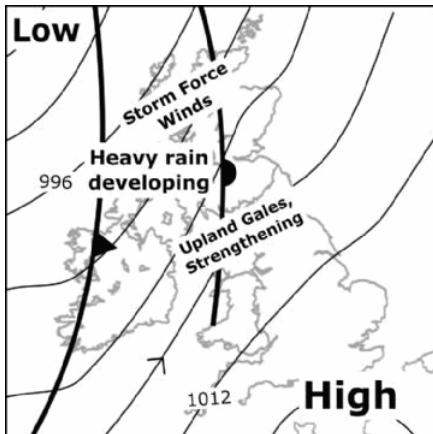
# Lake District

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 Friday, 18 October, 2024



### British Mountain Summary:

**Based on forecast chart for noon 18 October, 2024**

Southerly winds strengthening for all regions, widely upland gales, reaching storm-force on higher Scottish mountains. Rain extending in from the west becoming persistent, heavier over west and southwest Scotland. Lowest cloud on south-facing hills.

### Headline for Lake District

Upland gales strengthening. Rain developing, heavier later.

## Detailed Forecast for Friday, 18 October, 2024

<b>How windy? (On the summits)</b>	Southerly, starting 25-30mph, but soon 40mph, to increasingly on higher western and central fells 45 to 55mph.
<b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	<b>Conditions soon difficult, significant wind chill and walking widely arduous, balance difficult on exposed ridges.</b>
<b>How wet?</b> (Precipitation and its impact)	<b>Dry morning, later rain, becoming heavy</b> Morning/early afternoon: Pockets of drizzly rain here and there mainly south lakes. During afternoon: Rain enveloping region from west, later in the day, becoming widely heavier.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>Persisting all day - highest cloud base north Lakes</b> South Lakes: cloud base 450 to 600m, lowering further in rain late in day. North Lakes: Cloud base typically 600 to 750m, lowering in rain late in day.
<b>Chance of cloud free summits?</b>	<b>20% south, 60% north; lowering.</b>
<b>Sunshine?</b> Air clarity (below cloud)	Occasional sun in the north, but south of Dunmail Raise often murky and little to no sun. Generally hazy.
<b>How Cold? (at 750m)</b>	7C, locally 9C north Lakes, feeling sub-zero in wind.
<b>Freezing Level</b>	Above the summits.

**Lake District - Looking Ahead**

	<b>Saturday 19 October</b>	<b>Sunday 20 October</b>
<p><b>How windy? (On the summits)</b></p> <p><b>Effect of wind on you?</b></p>	<p>Southwesterly 20 to occasionally on higher tops 25mph, easing a little afternoon.</p> <p><b>Mostly fairly small.</b></p>	<p>Southerly, 45 to 60mph, may locally intensify to 70mph on highest tops.</p> <p><b>Walking difficult, severe conditions on higher tops, but arduous at times even lower down. Significant wind chill.</b></p>
<p><b>How wet?</b> (Precipitation and its impact)</p>	<p><b>Extensively dry</b></p> <p>Rain overnight likely clearing up to dawn, may leave residual drizzle, soon fading. Otherwise, risk of a few showers.</p>	<p><b>Heavy rain</b></p> <p>Persistent rain, heavy much of the day, especially south Lakes. Rain becoming more scattered in the afternoon. Very wet underfoot, possible local flooding.</p>
<p><b>Cloud on the hills?</b></p> <p><b>Chance of cloud free summits?</b></p>	<p><b>Mostly confined to higher summits; lowest cloud south lakes.</b></p> <p>Broadly cloud base varying between temporarily below 500m and mostly 700m south Lakes and westernmost fells elsewhere.</p> <p>Elsewhere as cloud base rises, by midday occasionally 600m, but mostly 800 to 1000m.</p> <p><b>40%</b></p>	<p><b>Extensive</b></p> <p>Shrouding the fells most or all day, often to mid-elevations, or lower on hills near to Irish Sea. Bases lifting a little into the afternoon. Highest bases north Lakes, but rarely clearing higher slopes.</p> <p><b>20%</b></p>
<p><b>Sunshine?</b> Air clarity (below cloud)</p>	<p>Bursts of sun south lakes; patchwork of sun north lakes.</p> <p>Generally hazy, particularly south Lakes.</p>	<p>Overcast: glimpses of sun mainly afternoon.</p> <p>A general haze, visibility poor in constant rain.</p>
<p><b>How Cold? (at 750m)</b></p> <p><b>Freezing Level</b></p>	<p>7C.</p> <p>Will feel near freezing point directly in the wind.</p> <p>Above the summits.</p>	<p>6C, tending to lower in afternoon.</p> <p>Feeling close to -10C on highest tops directly in the wind.</p> <p>Above the summits</p>

**Planning Outlook**

**All mountain areas of Britain from Saturday, 19 October, 2024**

South to southwesterly winds will prevail through the weekend and early next week with centres of low pressure passing northwest of Scotland. Unsettled and windy, upland gales or at times stormy over the mountains. Periods of rain, heaviest and most persistent over western mountains. Temperatures will fluctuate, often fairly mild, some cooler days at least for Scotland, but staying above freezing to highest tops, so no remaining lying snow. Into midweek, higher pressure over England and Wales gives some drier conditions here. Subtle pattern changes later in the week may alter the prevailing wind direction, but low pressure nearby maintains an unsettled outlook.

**Forecast issued at 15:48 on Thursday, 17 October, 2024**

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