

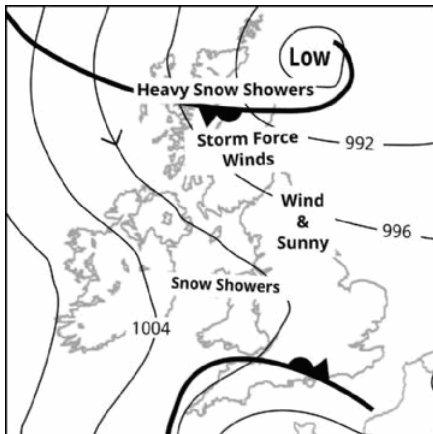
Lake District

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 Thursday, 21 November, 2024



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 21 November, 2024

Heavy snow showers with gales in the Highlands. Southern Scotland and northern England mostly sunny, cold, windy at times, only isolated snowfall near the coasts. In Wales changeable conditions, from snowfall and whiteouts to sunny spells with a few clouds. Chilly.

Headline for Lake District

Mostly dry, breezy, cold. Sun coming and going

Detailed Forecast for Thursday, 21 November, 2024

How windy? (On the summits)	West to northwesterly, starting 15 to 30mph, varying. Likely to speed up afternoon to 40mph.
Effect of wind on you?	Variable, buffeting with marked wind chill and impeded walking, balance on high ridges affected especially strongly afternoon, any movement arduous.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Risk showers mainly near coast Sleet & snow showers possible, more often rain near the coast (within 10-15km from coastline snowline near 300m), inland above 100m snow. Risk isolated lightning. Precipitation less likely east of Borrowdale, risk smallest Blencathra.
Cloud on the hills?	Cloud forming near the coast Hills mostly clear, but visibility strongly reducing in eventual snowfall. Cloud patches may form afternoon and near the coast any time of the day.
Chance of cloud free summits?	70%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Mostly sunny away from the southwestern coast of Cumbria, toward coast clouds widely covering the sky. Visibility mostly very good, but drastically reduced in showers.
How Cold? (at 750m)	-2C. Feeling near -10C in wind.
Freezing Level	Near 500m by the coast, inland 100-300m. Rising to 500-700m.

Lake District - Looking Ahead

	Friday 22 November	Saturday 23 November
How windy? (On the summits)	Northwesterly, 15 to 30mph, easing through the day.	Southeasterly 40 to 70mph, high variability in time and space. Gusts 80mph possible.
Effect of wind on you?	Walking strenuous in places, marked wind chill. Balance affected especially on ridges. Wind effect becoming small.	Severe conditions, any activity on the exposed ridges highly dangerous regardless of experience.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Snow showers, possibly intense coast Snow and hail showers fairly frequent or persistent near the coast, rare elsewhere. Below 500m rain. Chance isolated lightning. Toward Skiddaw and Blencathra most likely dry.	Heavy snowfall becoming heavy rainfall Heavy snowfall in the morning, 10-20cm of fresh snow within a few hours possible. Snow becoming wet afternoon as snowfall changes into rainfall.
Cloud on the hills?	Mostly clear, covered near showers Thick cloud cover where snow is falling, down to 300-600m, mainly coast, often breaking. North Lakes and east of Borrowdale hills clear.	Hills covered extensively, whiteout Hills fully covered, very likely all day. With intense snowfall whiteout frequent.
Chance of cloud free summits?	80%	Very low
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Mostly sunny, hills nearest to the coastline (Black Combe, maybe Scafell) dull at times, possible whiteouts in snowfall. Bright with good visibility High Street to Blencathra.	Overcast, zero visibility, whiteout.
How Cold? (at 750m)	Near 0C	-2C rising to +6C
Freezing Level	400-700m, rising a little through the day. Well inland (Haweswater, Ambleside) 100-300m in the morning.	Often 100-300m or lower during morning snowfall, but rising above all summits during the day.

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Friday, 22 November, 2024**

Weekend will start with heavy snowfall for many mountains. With significant warming, from Saturday afternoon change into snow, perhaps locally freezing rain for a while. On Sunday frequent rain, freezing level above all summits. On both weekend days severe winds even in the valleys! Next week will start with some cooling, mix of rain and snow showers, then dry for Tuesday and Wednesday. Wednesday night another warm front will move over the UK southwest to northeast, bringing rain and strong winds. Later, milder and moderately wet.

Forecast issued at 15:34 on Wednesday, 20 November, 2024

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