

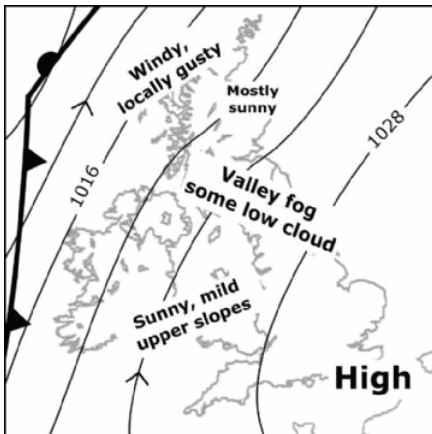
Lake District

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, 18 January, 2025



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 18 January, 2025

Southerly winds strongest toward northwest Scotland, locally very gusty. A fine day overall, with plentiful sunshine across the tops, in places above an inversion with banks of low cloud and fog on lower and some mid-elevation slopes, mostly on south-facing hills.

Headline for Lake District

Gusty some slopes. Sunshine, above low cloud banks mostly south.

Detailed Forecast for Saturday, 18 January, 2025

How windy? (On the summits)	Southwesterly 20 to 25mph. Small risk of gusts.
Effect of wind on you?	Comfort of walking affected. Marked wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Small risk of localised drizzle Risk of fine drizzle where in fog on the lower slopes of the southern fells.
Cloud on the hills?	Very little on high ground Largely cloud-free on tops, but bands of fog, or possible wider-spread valley cloud may be present in the South Lakes. Some fog banks may lift upslope, but most or all tops likely clear above 700m.
Chance of cloud free summits?	70% (above fog)
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Extensive sunshine on tops. Hazy or locally foggy low down but superb visibility on high ground.
How Cold? (at 750m)	7C or locally warmer above inversion, but where in cloud on some lower slopes only 3C and feeling like -5C in the wind.
Freezing Level	Above the summits but near or below freezing on lower ground initially.

Lake District - Looking Ahead

	Sunday 19 January	Monday 20 January
How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	South-southeast, 10-20mph at first. Shifting southwesterly in the afternoon and rising up to 25mph near dusk. Few effects at first, winds becoming inconvenient towards dusk.	Westerly 15-25mph. Fairly small, highest winds inconvenient.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Little precipitation expected A stray spell of light drizzle possible along west and south-facing slopes. Otherwise dry.	Rain spells, drier east Several rainy spells throughout the day, although total amounts small. Driest on eastern fells.
Cloud on the hills? Chance of cloud free summits?	Windward fog/low cloud, elsewhere clear Frequent low-lying fog patches near Coniston and Wast Water, some reaching further inland towards Ambleside. Clouds begin gradually rising near dusk. Higher hills mostly clear. 80% above lowest terrain	Brief clear patches east Terrain facing coasts often covered up to fell tops. Some fells in the lee of winds will experience brief moments of clearing. 30%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Widely sunny above fog. Excellent visibility.	Little to no sunshine. Visibility mostly poor.
How Cold? (at 750m) Freezing Level	4C, soon lowering to 1C Above the summits	3C Just above freezing on highest summits

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Sunday, 19 January, 2025**

Slow changes in the days ahead as high pressure to the southeast slowly fades and allows weak fronts to make inroads from the west. Small amounts of precipitation until later next week - patchy drizzle in places, locally snow flurries developing as temperature falls slowly. South to southeasterly winds prevailing, locally very gusty, bringing areas of low cloud or fog - at times higher slopes clear above the cloud. Sunniest overall toward north of major hill groups. Deeper areas of low pressure over the Atlantic are expected toward late January, bringing a risk of more frequent precipitation and periods of gales or possibly stormy winds at times; fluctuating temperatures and freeze-thaw cycles.

Forecast issued at 16:30 on Friday, 17 January, 2025

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