

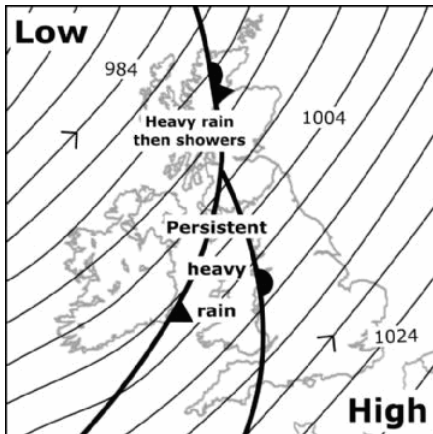
Lake District

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 Sunday, 23 February, 2025



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 23 February, 2025

Severe conditions with storm-force winds widely over the mountains. Extensive heavy rain for Scotland in the morning, some wet snow only on highest summits for a time, by afternoon breaking up into showers. Heavy rain setting in for much of the day for England and Wales.

Headline for Lake District

Sustained storm-force winds. Soon heavy rain widely.

Detailed Forecast for Sunday, 23 February, 2025

How windy? (On the summits)	South to southwesterly 50 to 70mph, for periods over 80mph at least in gusts on higher tops.
Effect of wind on you?	Severe conditions: mobility challenging across the fells, frequently knocking you off your feet where exposed higher up.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Rain increasingly heavy Rain arriving around dawn, soon heavy, continuing for several hours at least, staying wet much of the daytime, although during afternoon may become showery. Very wet underfoot, streams increasingly in spate, some flooding later.
Cloud on the hills?	Extensive Shrouding the fells likely all day, from low-to-mid slopes upward south and western Lakes, mid-slopes northern areas. Highest of any breaks in Ullswater area.
Chance of cloud free summits?	10%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Overcast and dull, sun unlikely. Hazy, poor visibility in precipitation.
How Cold? (at 750m)	2C rising to 5C. Feeling like -10 to -15C due to wind chill.
Freezing Level	Above the summits.

Lake District - Looking Ahead

	Monday 24 February	Tuesday 25 February
How windy? (On the summits)	Southwesterly 30 to 45mph, strongest in the morning.	Westerly 25 to 30mph.
Effect of wind on you?	Very blustery, often arduous over higher fells with frequent buffeting affecting balance. Significant wind chill.	Starting to affect comfortable walking and balance on exposed higher fells. Considerable wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Occasional showers A little rain on and off over windward western fells, brief showers passing eastwards; may fall as snow on highest summits around 900m.	Showers with snow on tops, hail Showery precipitation, most frequent over western Lakeland, falling as snow above 600-700m, also occasional hail.
Cloud on the hills?	Most common on western tops Banks of cloud typically base 700 to 900m, most frequent over western Lakeland; patches likely to come and go on high tops further eastwards.	Varied over tops Banks of cloud likely to come and go over higher tops, most frequent in western areas, bases 600-800m, briefly lower in showers.
Chance of cloud free summits?	50%	50%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Occasional sun, mainly north Lakes. Visibility often good, reduced in showers.	Glimpses of sun, most frequent eastern Lakes. Visibility often very good, but reduced in showers, briefly very poor.
How Cold? (at 750m)	2C. Feeling like -7 to -10C in the wind.	0 or 1C. Wind chill feeling like -7 to -10C.
Freezing Level	Just above highest summits, then into night dropping to 800-900m.	800 to 900m.

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Monday, 24 February, 2025**

Returning to freezing over the Scottish Munros from Monday, staying sub-zero over the tops during the week ahead, whilst higher summits in England & Wales will fluctuate around freezing point. Beware of icy surfaces as previously thawed ground refreezes. Wet underfoot on lower ground with streams in spate and local flooding at first following several spells of heavy rain recently. Showery precipitation coming in from the west, falling as snow on the mountains, accumulating on higher terrain, also sometimes hail. A possibly more widespread area of rain and hill snow during midweek. Wind speeds varied, west to southwesterlies at times gale force on tops, prepare for considerable chill factor.

Forecast issued at 16:00 on Saturday, 22 February, 2025

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