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Lake District

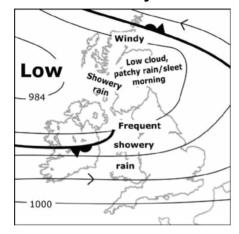
The entire Lake District National Park, taking in all major summits, including Scafell, Helvellyn, Skiddaw, the Langdales and Old Man of Coniston.





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General Summary for Saturday, 6 December, 2025



British Mountain Summary: Based on forecast chart for noon 6 December, 2025

Wind dropping light across much of the inland Highlands, but gusty near west coasts and staying strong for longer in the far north. Low cloud fairly widespread with patchy rain, clearer toward northwest. Southwesterly winds England, gale-force in Wales, driving in frequent heavy showery rain.

Headline for Lake District

Showery rain on and off, cloud on tops, brisk winds.

Detailed Forecast for Saturday, 6 December, 2025

How windy? (On the summits)	South to southwesterly 20 to 30mph, strongest speeds typically southern fells, increasing a little further for a time afternoon through dusk.	
Effect of wind on you?	Feeling blustery over higher exposed terrain, starting to affect balance over some ridges, most often in south.	
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Often raining, some heavier Rain on and off at least, a mix of steady rain and frequent drizzle, some showery pulses moving inland from coasts, risk more constant in south later in daytime. Wet underfoot, some streams in spate following previous rain.	
Cloud on the hills?	Extensive, lowest south/west Blanketing most higher fells all day, fairly extensive from mid-slopes upward south and west Lakeland, some banks to lower slopes. Highest bases north/east of Helvellyn group, breaks above 600m.	
Chance of cloud free summits?	20%	
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Sun unlikely, visibility poor in cloud and rain, locally better lower fells north Lakes.	
How Cold? (at 750m)	5C. Wind chill feeling like -5C in stronger speeds on tops.	
Freezing Level	Above the summits.	

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Lake District - Looking Ahead

	Sunday 7 December	Monday 8 December
How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	Some uncertainty: South-southeast later southwesterly, 20 to 30mph, but risk increasing to 40mph during day. Expect increasingly blustery conditions, risk more arduous walking developing, marked wind chill.	Southwest turning later southerly, 25 to 40mph, speed likely to fluctuate; may strengthen further later or into night. Uncertain timing and intensity of conditions, be prepared for periods of strenuous walking and marked wind chill.
How wet?	Spell of heavy rain develops	Rain on and off
(Precipitation and its impact)	May start largely dry for a few hours. Risk setting in for steady or heavy rain for a few hours into afternoon.	Showery rain most frequent west and southern fells, some heavier, possible hail. Risk rain develops heavy evening into night.
Cloud on the hills?	Increasingly extensive	Often covering tops southwest
	Some breaks possible in north if dry for a time, but shrouding the fells widely in rain, banks of cloud from low to mid elevations upward, particularly southern areas.	Frequently capping higher fells, particularly Scafell-Coniston group, bases varying 700 to 900m. Further north/east, sometimes on upper slopes, but breaking for periods.
Chance of cloud free summits?	20%	30%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Generally cloudy and misty, poor visibility most hills as rain develops, locally better north Lakes in morning.	Largely cloudy, rare glimpses of sun northeastern areas. Visibility good where dry, but reduced for periods in showers.
How Cold? (at 750m)	5C, small variation with added height. Feeling like -5C or possibly colder if exposed to stronger wind.	5C. If exposed to stronger winds, risk feeling like -7C on high tops.
Freezing Level	Above the summits.	Above the summits.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Sunday, 7 December, 2025

Generally unsettled onward into next week with areas of low pressure moving in from the Atlantic on prevailing southwesterly winds. Temperatures often relatively mild, typically only higher tops in the Highlands intermittently just below freezing point, expect periods of thawing even up to these tops. Day-to-day weather detail will be uncertain even in short-range as complex systems develop - a series of frontal systems bringing spells of rain - any snowfall mostly confined to highest tops in Scotland; also showers at times with hail mostly near western coasts. Wind speeds will also vary, for periods reaching gale force on tops, but intermittent lulls.

Forecast issued at 16:02 on Friday, 5 December, 2025

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