

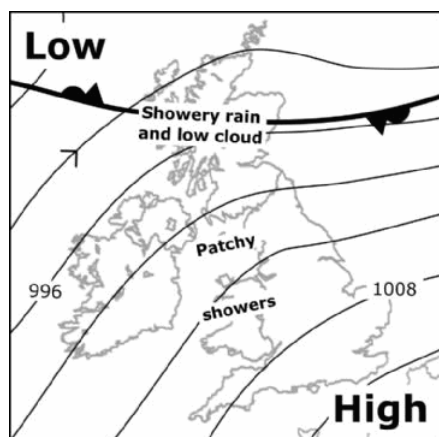
Lake District

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 Monday, 8 December, 2025



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 8 December, 2025

Southwesterly winds often gale force over most higher terrain of Britain, less strong toward the north of the Highlands. Close to freezing only on higher Scottish tops. Rain frequent over western Scotland, some patchy rain passing eastwards. Showery rain common on some western hills in England and Wales.

Headline for Lake District

Gales on tops. Showery rain, cloud on tops.

Detailed Forecast for Monday, 8 December, 2025

How windy? (On the summits)	Southwesterly 35 to 50mph; speed likely to fluctuate with powerful gusts in places around high tops; speeds moderating a little after dark for a few hours.
Effect of wind on you?	Arduous walking conditions in exposure over the fells all day, considerable buffeting and marked wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Rain on and off Rain most widespread for a few hours around dawn. Then showery rain most frequent west and southern fells, some heavier, possible hail. Then well into night, heavy rain develops from the south.
Cloud on the hills?	Often covering tops southwest 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?	30%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Largely cloudy, rare glimpses of sun northeastern areas. Visibility good where dry, but reduced for periods in showers.
How Cold? (at 750m)	5C, a slow rise after dark, reaching 8C. If exposed to stronger winds, feeling like -7C on high tops.
Freezing Level	Above the summits.

Lake District - Looking Ahead

	Tuesday 9 December	Wednesday 10 December
How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	Soon rising after dawn to a gusty southerly 40-50mph. Rising and shifting SW'ly, gusts up to 65mph over tops Conditions soon difficult in exposure, powerful gusts making mobility tortuous. Significant wind chill.	Southwesterly 40 to 55mph, risk at times over 60mph on higher fells, with stronger gusts. Arduous walking conditions from mid elevations upward, difficult over higher terrain; significant wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Near-constant rain turns showery, flooding Heavy, incessant rain through morning. Breaking into showery rain afternoon, though may remain frequent south and west fells. Beware fast-rising streams and local flooding.	Showery rain Frequent showery rain, most common southwestern Lakeland, possible hail mainly morning.
Cloud on the hills?	Extensive A sheet of cloud cloaks the hills from middle slopes upward, down to low slopes on southern fells. Some variability, local improvements around Blencathra but unlikely lifting above 700m.	Frequently on tops Cloud base varying, but often capping higher fells from Coniston to Pillar groups. Breaks to tops at times northeast Lakes.
Chance of cloud free summits?	Less than 10%	40%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Overcast and dull. Poor visibility.	Bursts of sun mostly Ullswater area. Slight haze, visibility reduced further around showers.
How Cold? (at 750m) Freezing Level	8 or 9C, may rise slightly around midday. Sharply cooling evening into night. Feeling like -3 to -5C in strongest wind. Above the summits	3 or 4C. Wind chill feeling like -10C. Above the summits

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Tuesday, 9 December, 2025**

A very unsettled spell through the next 10 days as southwesterly winds prevail and low pressure systems move in from the Atlantic. Stormy conditions widely over the mountains on Tuesday, gales remaining severe on high terrain into Wednesday, then potentially intensifying again on Thursday. Temperatures only close to freezing on higher Scottish tops this week, even here will experience spells above freezing with thawing, leaving snow increasingly patchy, but beware some icy surfaces on the very highest tops where some refreezing occurs. Rainfall will be frequent and heavy, sometimes showery with hail. Expect wet ground conditions and further flooding of streams and some rivers.

Forecast issued at 16:24 on Sunday, 7 December, 2025

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