

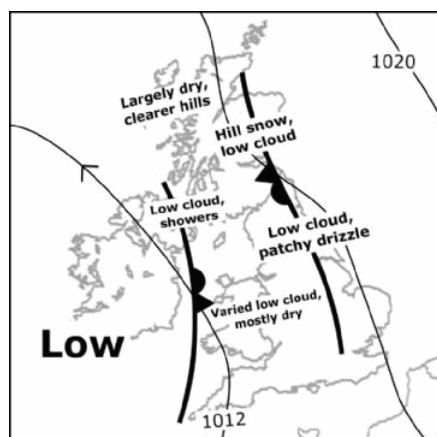
Lake District

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, 17 January, 2026



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 17 January, 2026

A slow-moving area of snowfall in central-eastern Highlands, may be often patchy and light, but risk locally more persistent, low cloud extensive. Clearer northwest coasts of Scotland. Low cloud much of northern England, some early rain and hill snow. Drier for Wales with varied low cloud. Light-moderate SE'ly winds.

Headline for Lake District

Low cloud particularly south, patchy drizzle. Moderate breeze.

Detailed Forecast for Saturday, 17 January, 2026

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| How windy? (On the summits) | Southeasterly 15 to 20mph, to gusty 25mph in places around higher fells. |
| Effect of wind on you? | Fairly small, but a marked chill where exposed to the strongest breeze. |
| How wet? (Precipitation and its impact) | A little drizzle Patchy drizzle or light rain, snow on higher terrain around dawn for a time, most likely eastern areas, fading out to leave occasional patches of drizzle or snow grains on tops, amounts small. |
| Cloud on the hills? | Banks of low cloud, best breaks N/W. Varied amounts of low cloud. Most extensive and persistent across fells in the east and south. Best breaks, locally between cloud layers, will likely be toward the west and north Lakes. |
| Chance of cloud free summits? | 10% south, to 30% north/northwest |
| Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud) | Mostly overcast with mist and murk concentrated across southern and eastern fells, locally brighter northwest. |
| How Cold? (at 750m) | 1 or 2C. Feeling like -5C directly in the wind. |
| Freezing Level | Near to freezing on higher slopes around 900m, partly frozen terrain from 600m upward, beware ice on higher areas. |

Lake District - Looking Ahead

| | Sunday 18 January | Monday 19 January |
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| How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you? | South to southeasterly 15 to 25mph, risk of stronger gusts in places around higher tops. Blustery in exposure on some tops, may start to affect comfortable walking in places, giving marked wind chill. | Southeasterly 20mph, gusty 25mph in places around some higher fells. Small effect on walking, but noticeable chill on higher terrain. |
| How wet? (Precipitation and its impact) | Some light rain possible Risk some drizzle or light rain developing for a time, snow grains over higher tops, mainly afternoon. | A little rain Patchy rain up to the summits, may become more persistent from south. |
| Cloud on the hills? Chance of cloud free summits? | Lowest and most persistent south A cloud sheet likely to cover southern Lakeland from mid-elevations upward most or all day. Cloud more varied northwestward, banks often covering high tops, but base higher and some breaks possible. 10% south, to 30% north/northwest. | Extensive, lowest south Low cloud shrouding the fells widely, from low to mid-slopes upward especially in south Lakes. Some higher bases northwest, but rarely above higher tops. 20% |
| Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud) | Glimpses of weak sun mainly north Lakes. Largely overcast, dull, misty to many mid-levels or some lower slopes. | Overcast and dull, poor visibility over many fells, hazy lower down, locally better north. |
| How Cold? (at 750m) Freezing Level | 1C. Feeling like -7C directly in the wind. Near to freezing on higher slopes, high terrain at least partly frozen. | 2 or 3C. Feeling like -5 to -8C directly in the wind. Above freezing to higher tops, but high terrain stays partly frozen. |

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Sunday, 18 January, 2026

A slow-moving weather pattern onward into early next week with chilly air in place across the British Isles, mountains staying near to freezing point in Scotland, typically just above freezing to high tops in England and Wales for a few days. Some weak fronts try to push in from the west bringing occasional rain and hill snow, amounts generally small. High pressure around Scandinavia is likely to dominate the patterns into the later stages of January, with colder air trying to push in from the east, much mountain terrain will be frozen. Occasional snow likely, generally driest in the northwest.

Forecast issued at 16:26 on Friday, 16 January, 2026

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