

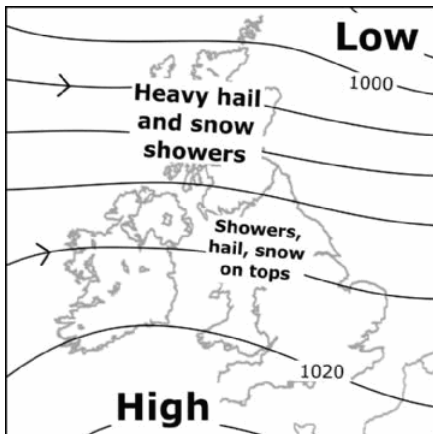
Lake District

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, 5 April, 2026



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 5 April, 2026

Notably cold for Easter Sunday, sub-zero across Scottish mountains and high tops in England & Wales, severe chill factor where exposed to gale-force westerly winds over hills. Heavy, squally showers with hail, also snow falling at times to lower elevations; chance of isolated thunder.

Headline for Lake District

Upland gales, bitterly cold on fells; hail and snow showers.

Detailed Forecast for Sunday, 5 April, 2026

How windy? (On the summits)	Stormy conditions overnight lessen before dawn, then westerly 35 to 50mph during daytime, squally gusts, easing a little afternoon, dropping further from dusk.
Effect of wind on you?	Frequent buffeting, walking arduous over higher terrain, sudden powerful gusts affect balance; some gradual improvement. Beware possible tree damage from previous storm. Significant wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Showery hail and snow Generally showery, heavy bursts with hail, and snow falling to 300m for a time, becoming mostly rain or hail to 500m afternoon. Chance isolated thunder & lightning for a time. Showers fading toward evening. Some snow accumulations on higher fells.
Cloud on the hills?	Varying on high tops Cloud banks drifting over higher slopes, most often in western areas above 700-800m, briefly lower in showers. Breaks above tops away from showers.
Chance of cloud free summits?	40%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Bursts of bright sunshine and very good visibility, but very poor or temporarily appalling in cloud, hail or snow.
How Cold? (at 750m)	-2C rising to +1C afternoon. Feeling like -10 to -15C in the wind.
Freezing Level	600m from dawn, rising to 800-900m afternoon.

Lake District - Looking Ahead

	Monday 6 April	Tuesday 7 April
How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	Southwest turning southerly 20 to 30mph, strongest toward western Lakeland tops. Affecting ease of walking on some exposed terrain, gusty in places around higher tops.	Southeasterly 20 to 35mph, very gusty in places around some tops and locally downslope north from higher fells. Variable, in places fairly small, but sudden buffeting gusts around some fells will affect comfortable walking and balance.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Rain unlikely Very likely dry. Low chance brief patches of drizzle over coastal fells toward southwest.	Rain not expected Toward evening-night, possible spots of rain from high cloud, perhaps an odd burst of rain forming after dark.
Cloud on the hills?	Local patches, mostly little Patchy cloud banks occasionally over west and southwestern coastal fells, but generally very little elsewhere.	Hills clear Patchy mist some valleys at first. The fells very likely clear all day.
Chance of cloud free summits?	70% south/west, 90% north/east	Above 90%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Sunshine and a veil of high cloud, more cloud at times west. Visibility very good, some haze toward coast.	Sunshine and thin high cloud, tending to gradually thicken during the day, later may cover the sky. Visibility very good, slight haze develops.
How Cold? (at 750m) Freezing Level	0C at dawn, rising to 5C afternoon. Feeling like -7C directly in wind early in day, then -2C afternoon. Frost some valleys, much upland terrain frozen at first. Up to 800m late morning, lifting above all summits by early	7 to 10C. Directly in the stronger wind, feeling close to freezing despite warm air. Above the summits. Possible slight frost some sheltered inland valleys at dawn.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Monday, 6 April, 2026

A cold frosty start to Monday, but milder southerly air arrives - dry and many hills clear with hazy sun, but gusty wind, risk of local gales west coastal mountains of Scotland. Quite warm by Tuesday, but strong to gale force southerly winds more widely; dry for many, rain encroaching into western Scotland, thawing of recent snow. Staying warm on Wednesday for many, but likely becoming cooler later in the week. Scotland likely remains changeable, often windy later in the week, rain at times, varying temperatures, at times below freezing on higher Munros. England and Wales sees occasional rain or showers late week, but some drier days and lighter winds.

Forecast issued at 16:00 on Saturday, 4 April, 2026

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