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Peak District

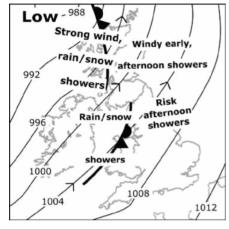




The southernmost Pennines, covering the entire Peak District National Park, also extending north to hills accessed from Hebden Bridge, and including the hills immediately north of Manchester.

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General Summary for Wednesday, 3 December, 2025



British Mountain Summary: Based on forecast chart for noon 3 December, 2025

Widely breezy, strongest northern England and Scotland, early gales over high Munros; easing but staying blustery northwest Scotland. Showery rain onto west coast slopes down to Wales (snow on high terrain) most of the day, some reaching further east afternoon. Greatest chance of dry weather south Pennines.

Headline for Peak District

Blustery over the tops; risk showery rain afternoon

Detailed Forecast for Wednesday, 3 December, 2025

How windy? (On the summits)	Southwesterly 25-30mph, trending towards 30mph more widely. Some stronger winds around midday with gusts reaching 35mph over high moors.	
Effect of wind on you?	Comfort of walking affected in exposure, particularly around midday when gusts may challenge stability. Feeling cool.	
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Risk afternoon showery rain north Chance of a few odd showers, focused on western slopes and Lancashire Pennines. Afternoon brings a greater risk of showery rain though southern hills likely stay dry.	
Cloud on the hills?	Mostly high terrain, at times clear moors	
	Variable banks of cloud in the morning, some down to lower slopes. Lifting to the tops, breaks above summits, though a risk of filling in more widely over high terrain for periods too, greatest risk northern areas.	
Chance of cloud free summits?	60%	
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Busts of sunshine, mostly lower eastern slopes, more often cloudy afternoon. Very good visibility.	
Temperature (at 600m)	3C early, becoming 4C. Feeling like -5 to -8C in direct wind.	
And in the valleys	3C at dawn though some locally cooler pockets east. Rising to 6C.	

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Peak District - Looking Ahead

	Thursday 4 December	Friday 5 December
How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	Southerly 35-40mph, shifting westerly 20-25mph; shift likely by afternoon but timing uncertain. Arduous morning conditions will start to ease, though may remain strenuous in exposure. Notable wind chill.	Southerly 25-35mph, trending southeasterly and rising to 40mph, further deteriorating into night. Comfortable walking affected from dawn, blustery in exposure. Deteriorating into night. Significant wind chill.
How wet?	Often raining	Many areas dry before late afternoon rain
(Precipitation and its impact)	Widespread rain most of the morning. A tendency towards breaking into patches, though at times returning more broadly.	Local patches of rain drift from the west but many hills substantially dry well into the day. Rain arrives from the west afternoon, spreading widely and setting in heavy for a few hours into night.
Cloud on the hills?	High terrain often covered; variable	Clearing tops for a time, deteriorating later
	Cloud shrouded most terrain above 500m from dawn, then a lifting trend through the day, local breaks above 600m, inducing off tops, though lowering again where rain returns.	Cloud banks cover the high tops in the morning with lower patches, mostly on western slopes. A rising trend, perhaps clear summits for several hours, then returning to summits again later in the day.
Chance of cloud free summits?	50%	Rising to 70% for several hours
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Little sun expected. Very good visibility but some haze builds.	A bright sunrise in the east, soon overcast. Good visibility but a haze.
Temperature (at 600m)	3C Feeling like -5C (or cooler early) in the wind.	3C; rising several degrees after dark. Feeling like -8 to -10C in the wind.
And in the valleys	5C most of the day, possibly a degree warmer before day.	A light frost in most valleys at dawn, slowly rising to 5C then rapidly higher after dark.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Thursday, 4 December, 2025

Low pressure circulating to the west and north will dominate the weather for the next 7 to 10 days, bringing generally unsettled weather. A brief period of slack pressure on Thursday into Friday will ease winds for a time though patchy rain will linger in several areas. Strong southwesterly winds return over the weekend bringing cloud and rain to many mountains, most persistent on southwestern slopes. Temperatures and freezing level will vary, but staying chilly with highest terrain likely near or below 0C. Several low pressure systems with then pass through next week, brining frequent periods of cloud, rain, and strong wind, likely gale force on high terrain at times. Occasional windows of dry, brighter weather will occur, best chance east.

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