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Peak District

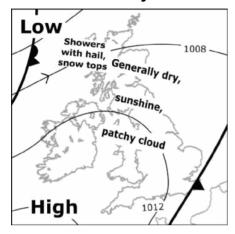




The southernmost Pennines, covering the entire Peak District National Park, also extending north to hills accessed from Hebden Bridge, and including the hills immediately north of Manchester.

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General Summary for Tuesday, 16 December, 2025



British Mountain Summary: Based on forecast chart for noon 16 December, 2025

Showery in western Scotland, with hail, snow on higher mountains; fewer showers eastwards, more sun and higher cloud breaks. Strongest winds in NW Highlands, up to gale force tops. England and Wales largely dry and bright, patchy cloud western tops.

Headline for Peak District

Light-moderate breeze. Dry with sun, high cloud clears.

Detailed Forecast for Tuesday, 16 December, 2025

How windy? (On the summits)	West to northwesterly 10 to 20mph, least wind typically afternoon. Starting to strengthen onward into night, well beyond midnight over 30mph.	
Effect of wind on you?	Fairly small. Deteriorating into night.	
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Likely dry all daytime Remnants of overnight rain may linger up to dawn in east, but fading and clearing eastwards, leaving a dry day. Wet underfoot following previous rain, fast-flowing streams.	
Cloud on the hills?	Likely to clear Some cloud banks over higher moors at first, but likely to thin and break up to leave the hills clear.	
Chance of cloud free summits?	80%	
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Early cloudy skies, high cloud tending to thin to reveal some sun, soonest in west. Visibility increasingly excellent.	
Temperature (at 600m)	4C. Feeling like -2C directly in the breeze.	
And in the valleys	5C or perhaps locally cooler in west at dawn, rising to max 7 or 8C.	

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Peak District - Looking Ahead

	Wednesday 17 December	Thursday 18 December
How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	South-southwesterly 30 to 40mph, in places gusts 50mph around exposed tops and edges. Strenuous walking conditions over the hills, buffeting gusts around some exposed spots affecting balance.	Southerly 25 to 40mph, but direction and speed may vary, possibly lower speeds for periods during day. Expect blustery conditions, often strenuous walking and marked wind chill in exposure.
How wet?	Rain soon develops	Risk of rain soon setting in
(Precipitation and its impact)	Rain pushing in from the west soon from dawn, becoming fairly persistent, some heavier falls western areas, patchier east.	Dry possibly for a few hours in morning. Risk of heavy rain moving in from south during day, possibly soon persistent.
Cloud on the hills?	Becoming extensive	Increasingly extensive
	May be varied, locally clearer at first, but cloud likely to soon lower to blanket higher moors, from mid-slopes up in west.	Banks of cloud at varying heights, but if rain sets in, widely lowering to shroud hills from mid-heights upwards.
Chance of cloud free summits?	30%	20%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Overcast, visibility may start good in east, but increasingly murky from west.	Overcast and dull, murky in rain.
Temperature (at 600m)	3C rising during day to 6C. Feeling like -5 to -8C directly in the wind.	4 or 5C. Wind chill feeling like -5 to 7C on tops.
And in the valleys	3C at dawn, slight frost some valleys. Rising to 7 or 8C.	Little variation night and day, 8 or 9C.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Wednesday, 17 December, 2025

An unsettled southwesterly weather pattern continues mid-late this week. On Wednesday, another system sweeps in from the Atlantic bringing further rain and gales. Showery conditions then persist in western Scotland, with hail and snow on high tops. Scottish mountains often near or below freezing above 900m, only brief thawing higher up. Meanwhile, England and Wales stay mild midweek with more heavy rain likely into Thursday, then lowering to freezing on high tops for periods from Friday. A change of weather pattern is likely in the run up to Christmas, as high pressure builds northward, bringing drier weather, fog and frost more common.

Forecast issued at 16:00 on Monday, 15 December, 2025

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