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Peak District

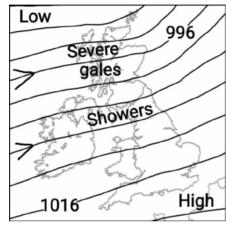




The southernmost Pennines, covering the entire Peak District National Park, also extending north to hills accessed from Hebden Bridge, and including the hills immediately north of Manchester.

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General Summary for Friday, 19 December, 2025



British Mountain Summary: Based on forecast chart for noon 19 December, 2025

Southwesterly gales, severe across the Highlands, giving significant wind chill and showers. Showers frequent western Scotland, with snow falling down to 800m with hail and risk lightning. Scattered showers for England and Wales where hill fog confined to western tops.

Headline for Peak District

Windy with a considerable wind chill. Passing showers and sun.

Detailed Forecast for Friday, 19 December, 2025

How windy? (On the summits)	Southwesterly 35 to 45mph, tending to lessen a little during day.	
Effect of wind on you?	Strenuous walking conditions over higher terrain, some buffeting in exposure. Considerable wind chill.	
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Brief showers Local passing showers, mainly areas toward northwest Peak District and into Lancashire.	
Cloud on the hills?	Often above hills	
	Patches occasionally touching higher tops mainly toward west in morning, but often lifting above hills.	
Chance of cloud free summits?	80%	
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Sunshine most frequent east. Visibility mostly very good.	
Temperature (at 600m)	3 or 4C. Feeling like -10C directly in the wind.	
And in the valleys	4C from dawn, rising to 8C afternoon.	

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Peak District - Looking Ahead

	Saturday 20 December	Sunday 21 December
How windy? (On the summits)	South to south-easterly 20 to 30mph	Easterly 25 to 35mph
Effect of wind on you?	A blustery and at times gusty airflow will bring marked wind chill and periods of buffeting.	Blustery and gusty winds, with sudden, strong gusts running downslope from ridges and passes. Significant wind chill.
How wet?	Mostly dry	Rain may become persistent
(Precipitation and its impact)	Generally dry, bar isolated spots of light rain or drizzle from the low cloud.	Patches of rain or drizzle. Likely to become frequent or constant, as the day wears on, from the south.
Cloud on the hills?	Fairly extensive	Widespread, especially in rain
	Likely to cover the tops often in the cloud through the day. Occasional breaks.	Be prepared for extensive cloud capping the upper slopes in fog. Perhaps patches down to lower slopes in rain.
Chance of cloud free summits?	40%	20%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	A little weak sun possible should cloud layers thin, mostly likely in the east. Visibility good or very good, but poor in any rain.	Extensively dull. Visibility perhaps good at times, but marked haze and poor when in rain.
Temperature (at 600m)	4 or 5C	Around 3 or 4C
And in the valleys	6 to 8C	Maximum temperature 6 to 8C

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Saturday, 20 December, 2025

A switch to east-southeasterly winds by Sunday into early next week, some residual rain and high-level snow, but a drier and colder theme develops into the Christmas period and perhaps into the New Year, as high pressure builds to the north and northeast. An extensive cloud sheet will likely come in from the North Sea over many days with light snow showers or flurries likely, rain to lower slopes, but many areas dry. Best breaks in the west.

Forecast issued at 16:26 on Thursday, 18 December, 2025

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