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Peak District

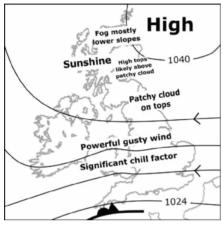




The southernmost Pennines, covering the entire Peak District National Park, also extending north to hills accessed from Hebden Bridge, and including the hills immediately north of Manchester.

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General Summary for Thursday, 25 December, 2025



British Mountain Summary: Based on forecast chart for noon 25 December, 2025

Dry with sunshine best in west and northern Scotland, high terrain warmer than many lower slopes, local low-level fog. High summits SE Highlands likely just above patchy cloud. Mostly cloudy Pennines, grazing tops, clearer westward across the Lakes. Gusty easterly winds, strongest further south, gale-force in Wales.

Headline for Peak District

Strong and gusty wind, cold. Mix of sun and cloud, hills clear.

Detailed Forecast for Thursday, 25 December, 2025

How windy? (On the summits)	Easterly 35-40mph, some stronger gusts at times around higher tops; downslope gusts to the west.		
Effect of wind on you?	Strenuous walking at most elevations with significant wind chill, may be arduous in exposure, sudden buffeting gusts knocking you off balance in places.		
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	No rain expected		
Cloud on the hills?	Most cloud above hills		
	Rarely cloud may drift onto some higher tops, but the hills clear most or all day.		
Chance of cloud free summits?	Above 90%		
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Often cloudy, though patchy sun breaks near and south of Kinder Scout. Very good visibility, a slight haze in the east.		
Temperature (at 600m)	-1 or 0C. Feeling as cold as -13C in strongest wind.		
And in the valleys	1C from dawn, rising to 3C		

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Peak District - Looking Ahead

	Friday 26 December	Saturday 27 December
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How windy? (On the summits)	Easterly 25 to 30mph, stronger gusts may approach 40mph around some high tops and edges.	Easterly 30 to 35mph, stronger gusts around some high edges and exposed high tops.
Effect of wind on you?	Strenuous walking with considerable wind chill in exposure over high terrain, in places sudden buffeting gusts.	Affecting comfortable walking and balance in exposure, sudden buffeting gusts in places; considerable wind chill.
How wet?	Precipitation rare if any	Risk a little rain east
(Precipitation and its impact)	Chance of brief snow grains locally on eastern moors, light rain spots lower down.	Often dry; a few brief spots of light rain from time to time mainly eastern moors.
Cloud on the hills?	Above most tops	Often above high tops
	Much cloud above the hills, but may occasionally graze higher moors, mostly around 600m.	Most cloud above the hills, rare banks may drift onto some highest tops around 600m.
Chance of cloud free summits?	80%	80%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Mix of cloud and sun, best in west. Visibility good, though some haze likely.	Rather cloudy overall, some brighter breaks western areas. Visibility good, some haze possible.
Temperature (at 600m)	0 or 1C, small variation with height. Feeling like -10C directly in the wind.	2 or 3C. Feeling like -8C directly in the wind.
And in the valleys	Near 0C from dawn, frost in sheltered spots. Reaching max 4C.	4 to 7C.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Friday, 26 December, 2025

Dry weather continues into the weekend as a strong area of high pressure resides near or north of Scotland. Inversion conditions Scottish mountains, high tops generally above freezing and above most patchy cloud, some frost and fog in glens. Gusty east-northeasterly wind increasing for Scotland by Saturday, easing again for Sunday. Strong and gusty winds prevail for England and Wales, often cloudy, a little light rain occasionally Pennines; some sun toward west. Next week stays dry for many, local showers northern Scotland, possibly turning chillier with northerly winds.

*** Wishing you a very happy Christmas and New Year from all the team at MWIS ***

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