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Peak District

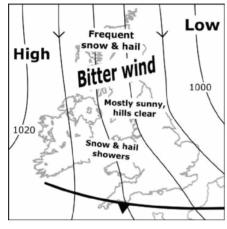




The southernmost Pennines, covering the entire Peak District National Park, also extending north to hills accessed from Hebden Bridge, and including the hills immediately north of Manchester.

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General Summary for Friday, 2 January, 2026



British Mountain Summary: Based on forecast chart for noon 2 January, 2026

Bitterly cold north-northwesterly winds, gale-force over many hills, typically strongest in morning, again late in day Scotland. Frequent snow and hail northern Scotland, blizzard conditions on mountains. Showers also affect Wales. Mostly dry, sunny and clear hills N England & S Scotland. Most terrain frozen.

Headline for Peak District

Windy, strongest morning, considerable chill factor. Sunshine.

Detailed Forecast for Friday, 2 January, 2026

How windy? (On the summits)	Northwesterly 30 to 40mph, strongest likely mid-morning into middle of day, then tending to lessen a little afternoon. Into night tending to increase again.	
Effect of wind on you?	Significant wind chill over the hills up to middle of day. Strenuous walking, frequent buffeting in exposure on tops; moderating a little into the afternoon.	
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Dry daytime Chance of local snow and hail showers toward the west from overnight through to dawn, otherwise dry.	
Cloud on the hills?	Little if any Rare brief fragments higher slopes mainly morning.	
Chance of cloud free summits?	90%	
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Mostly sunny. Visibility excellent.	
Temperature (at 600m)	-2C. Wind chill feeling like -12 to -15C on tops.	
And in the valleys	0 to -2C from dawn, rising to max 2C, then dropping back below freezing into the evening.	

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Peak District - Looking Ahead

	Saturday 3 January	Sunday 4 January
How windy? (On the summits)	North to northwesterly 30 to 40mph.	North to northwesterly 30-35mph.
Effect of wind on you?	Significant wind chill over the hills. Strenuous walking conditions, frequent buffeting over exposed higher terrain.	Continued considerable wind chill over the hills. Affecting ease of walking where exposed on tops.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Precipitation not expected	Precipitation not expected
Cloud on the hills?	Hills clear	Hills clear
Chance of cloud free summits?	Above 90%	Above 90%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Generally sunny. Visibility excellent.	Generally sunny. Visibility excellent.
Temperature (at 600m)	-3C. Wind chill feeling like -12 to -15C in exposure on high tops.	-3C. Wind chill feeling like -12C in exposure on high tops.
And in the valleys	Terrain widely frozen, starting near -5C from dawn, staying sub-zero in some valleys, max 1 or 2C.	Terrain widely frozen, starting near -5C from dawn, staying sub-zero in some valleys, max 1 or 2C.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Saturday, 3 January, 2026

Terrain extensively frozen this weekend and early next week; sub-zero temperatures from the glens upward in Scotland and some valleys inland in northern England. Substantial fresh snow accumulations in the North West Highlands and Cairngorms, heavy showers streaming in from the north also containing hail. Largely dry and sunny from central Scotland to northern England. Hail and snow showers will run into north and west Wales from the sea. Bitter northerly winds, up to gale force higher tops, lessening somewhat during Sunday. Some fluctuation of freezing level during next week, though most high terrain stays sub-zero, and as fronts come in from the west, upland snowfalls are possible more widely.

Forecast issued at 16:01 on Thursday, 1 January, 2026

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