

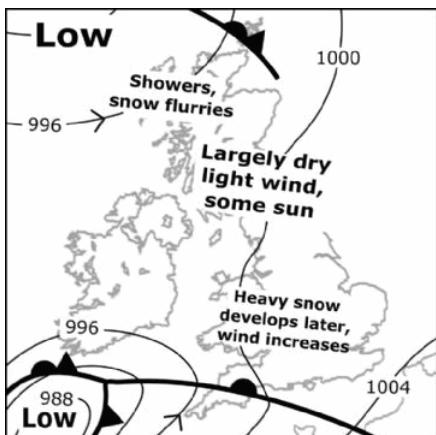
Peak District

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, 8 January, 2026



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 8 January, 2026

Fairly benign conditions, breezier in northern Scotland. Local snow flurries, patchy cloud and some sun. A developing system to the southwest moves into Wales with heavy snow setting in increasingly widely later, extending into the Peak District by evening, accompanied by gales.

Headline for Peak District

Light wind, mostly dry day; snow develops into night.

Detailed Forecast for Thursday, 8 January, 2026

How windy? (On the summits)	Westerly up to dawn 15 to 20mph, soon often less than 10mph, variable direction. Into evening-night, strengthening easterly, rapidly 30-40mph.
Effect of wind on you?	Mostly small during daytime. Deteriorating into the evening.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Largely dry day, then heavy snow into night Often dry, but at first a few snow flurries mostly western hills, sleet or rain low-mid slopes. Patchy snow and sleet arrives from south dusk onward, setting in widely persistent into night, heavier snow to lower elevations.
Cloud on the hills?	Patchy cloud Cloud banks around some higher tops, mainly toward west in the morning, then may start to drift over southern hills in afternoon, more widely in evening.
Chance of cloud free summits?	70%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Fairly cloudy, a veil of high cloud tending to thicken across the sky. Visibility good in places, but some haze.
Temperature (at 600m)	0 or +1C.
And in the valleys	Partly frozen terrain from valleys upward, starting just below 0C at dawn. Rising to max 3C. Back to 0C after dark.

Peak District - Looking Ahead

	Friday 9 January	Saturday 10 January
How windy? (On the summits)	North to northwesterly 30 to 40mph, risk 50mph on tops early in day.	Northerly 15 to 20mph, in places 25mph.
Effect of wind on you?	Significant wind chill and challenging walking conditions in exposure on higher terrain.	Fairly small, but risk noticeable wind chill in exposure on hills.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Snow fading Expect considerable fresh lying snow from valleys upward following overnight falls, which may continue as light snow into the morning, turning to sleet on lower slopes and tending to fade with time.	Rare if any flurries Substantially dry, chance of an odd snow flurry, light rain spots lower slopes.
Cloud on the hills?	Fairly extensive, slowly improving Shrouding most higher areas in the morning, banks of cloud mid-slopes up in places. Tending to thin and break into afternoon, some breaks to tops.	Mostly little Hills largely clear, some patchy mist possible mainly valleys and some lower hills.
Chance of cloud free summits?	20%	80%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Overcast, may gradually become brighter, but high cloud likely obscures sun. Difficult navigation if in fog over snow cover, visibility may improve with time.	Mix of cloud and sun. Visibility very good.
Temperature (at 600m)	0 or -1C. Feeling like -10 to -13C if exposed to stronger winds.	0 or -1C. Feeling like -7C if exposed to wind.
And in the valleys	0C from dawn, up to 3C afternoon.	Much terrain frozen into valleys. Sub-zero from dawn, rising to 1 or 2C afternoon.

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Friday, 9 January, 2026**

Terrain remaining widely frozen into the weekend, extensive deep snow cover for Highlands, less nearer the central belt. A fresh good covering for Wales and south Pennines from Thursday night too. Quiet weather for Saturday daytime. Then into Sunday, southerly winds strengthen to gales - as a frontal system approaches, snow then freezing rain is likely. A rise of freezing level from the southwest - some thawing develops, rising just above freezing toward higher slopes; more pronounced thawing in England and Wales to the tops. Uncertain patterns next week, colder air may return across Scotland, whilst further south often generally milder. Some further hill snow mainly in Scotland.

Forecast issued at 16:15 on Wednesday, 7 January, 2026

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