

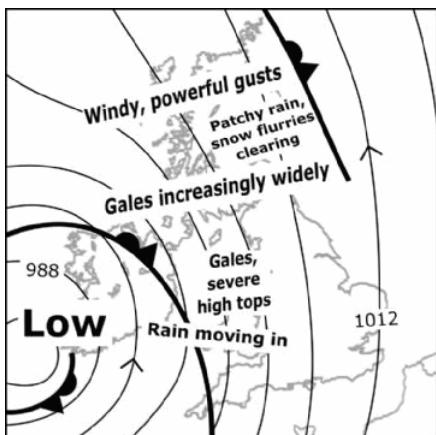
Peak District

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, 20 January, 2026



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 20 January, 2026

Strong southeasterlies, gusting gale-force Scottish mountains, strengthening widely. Gales all day for Wales, severe on high tops, increasingly northern England also. Some light rain and hill snow flurries, mostly eastern Scotland, fading with rising cloud base. Heavier rain develops in south Wales.

Headline for Peak District

Increasingly windy, gales develop. Cloud lifts above hills.

Detailed Forecast for Tuesday, 20 January, 2026

How windy? (On the summits)	Southeasterly 30mph, strengthening with time to 40mph, gusts 50mph around high tops and near some western edges.
Effect of wind on you?	Increasingly strenuous walking over hills, gusts knocking you off balance, becoming more challenging walking with time. Considerable wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Little or no rain much of daytime Occasional drizzly rain early in day, but becoming mostly dry then until after dark later in evening, when rain then moves up from the southwest into first part of night.
Cloud on the hills?	Lifting and clearing during morning Shrouding most high terrain at first, soon tending to rise to upper slopes with breaks forming above the hills, largely clear middle of day into afternoon.
Chance of cloud free summits?	40% rising to 90%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Cloudy start, misty for a time, but visibility becoming very good and sun breaking through for periods; later high cloud starting to move in from south.
Temperature (at 600m)	3 or 4C. Wind chill feeling like -7 to -10C.
And in the valleys	5C from dawn, rising to 8C.

Peak District - Looking Ahead

	Wednesday 21 January	Thursday 22 January
How windy? (On the summits)	Southeasterly 25 to 40mph, speed likely to vary during the day.	Easterly 35 to 45mph, very gusty in places around exposed edges and tops.
Effect of wind on you?	Strenuous walking in exposure over the tops, frequent buffeting gusts near some edges. Considerable wind chill.	Challenging walking on higher terrain, gusts knocking you off balance not just on tops. Significant wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Generally damp, rain at times Rain on and off, likely persistently drizzly across the hills. By evening, risk heavier pulses of rain moving in from south.	Patchy rain, risk more frequent Rain on and off, may be small amounts, but risk more persistent over a few hours. Less toward the west.
Cloud on the hills?	Extensive Covering the hills widely above 400-500m, but risk to some lower slopes in morning.	Fairly extensive higher moors Covering higher slopes much of the day above 500-600m, some higher breaks toward western areas.
Chance of cloud free summits?	10%	20%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Overcast and dull, poor visibility in rain.	Largely cloudy, some brighter moments mainly western areas where visibility good below cloud, some haze likely.
Temperature (at 600m)	2C. Wind chill feeling like -7 to -10C where exposed on higher areas.	2 or 3C. Wind chill feels as cold as -12C.
And in the valleys	5 or 6C, small variation night into day.	Small change around 5 or 6C night into day.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Wednesday, 21 January, 2026

Strong east to southeasterlies continue beyond midweek, sustained gales over most mountains with powerful gusts downslope toward west. Near or just below freezing on higher tops - colder air is likely to move into Scotland at least late in the week, much mountain terrain then frozen with severe chill factor. Scope for substantial snowfalls over eastern Scottish hills later this week. Sleet or snow mostly higher tops in England and Wales, may fall lower over the weekend. Low cloud often covering many hills across Britain, clearer and drier toward western coasts. Circulating low pressure and cold air likely into next week, with further snowfalls likely.

Forecast issued at 16:30 on Monday, 19 January, 2026

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