

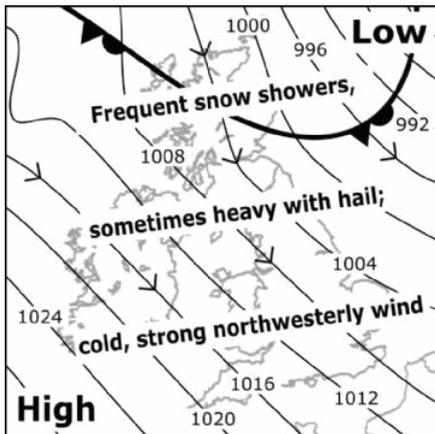
Peak District

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 Wednesday, 25 March, 2026



British Mountain Summary: Based on forecast chart for noon 25 March, 2026

Widespread hail and snow showers, at times heavy with a risk of isolated lightning. Fewer showers in the N Pennines and southeast Scotland for a few morning hours, but returning afternoon. Gales widespread as well with sudden strong gusts, easing only slightly in Scotland. Cold, staying below freezing above 500-600m.

Headline for Peak District

Frequent snow and hail showers; gales

Detailed Forecast for Wednesday, 25 March, 2026

How windy? (On the summits)	Northwesterly 40 to 50mph, varying speeds with squally gusts around showers, approaching 55mph.
Effect of wind on you?	Walking arduous most of the day, often challenging in exposure with significant wind chill. Beware sudden, strong gusts that will require bracing to maintain stability.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Frequent hail and snow Showery snow and hail falling to lower slopes, frequent in western areas from dawn, but increasingly widespread across the region. Chance of isolated thunder & lightning.
Cloud on the hills?	Briefly on higher slopes Most cloud above the hills, but patches grazing higher moors mostly western areas around showers.
Chance of cloud free summits?	80%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Bursts of bright sunshine, most widely morning. Visibility at times very good, but appalling in showers with brief whiteout over tops.
Temperature (at 600m)	0 or -1C at dawn. Slight rise into afternoon. Wind chill feeling like -12 to -15C on tops.
And in the valleys	2C from dawn, local frosts possible in sheltered valleys. rising to 5C afternoon, but dropping back several degrees during showers.

Peak District - Looking Ahead

	Thursday 26 March	Friday 27 March
How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	North-northwesterly 20-25mph, gradually easing, shifting northwesterly, 15mph into evening. Walking impeded with stability affected on high exposed moors early. Easing to fairly small effects.	Westerly 25-35mph, some notable gusts over exposed tops. Walking at times strenuous in exposure with buffeting gusts affecting stability. Feeling increasingly chilly.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	No precipitation during daytime Any precipitation unlikely during daylight; patchy rain arrives as night falls.	Morning rain eases through afternoon Often raining through the morning, most persistent on the western slopes. A breaking trend afternoon, lingering longest in the south, mostly dry by dusk.
Cloud on the hills?	Any cloud unlikely	Fairly extensive, some improvement Extensive through morning to at least the middle slopes, often lower in the west. A lifting tendency, perhaps just to higher edges afternoon, then more substantially breaking late in the day.
Chance of cloud free summits?	90%	20%, later rising to 50%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Bright sunshine in the morning, high cloud starting to build from midday onward. Excellent visibility.	Glimpses of sun breaking out with time. Visibility often poor in rain, improving later, often best in the east.
Temperature (at 600m) And in the valleys	-1 or -2C, lifting to +2C, several degrees higher overnight. Feeling like -10C in early wind. Frost in the valleys at dawn, locally -2C. lifting to 6 or 7C.	6 or 7C through morning. Sharply cooling afternoon, 3C into night. Later, feeling like -5C in the wind. 6C from dawn, rising up to 8C by early afternoon, then cooling rapidly, 4C by nightfall.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Thursday, 26 March, 2026

Thursday starts chilly with clear skies for many, snow then rain moves into western areas with time. Strong northwesterly winds prevail as the weekend starts, bringing cooler temperatures and a mix of showers and sun across most areas, the showers likely snowy to middle elevations with some hail mixed in. The cool, spring-like conditions will allow showers to become heavier and more widespread in the afternoon. Sunday into next week sees high pressure southwest of the country, producing drier weather with sun breaks, a trend towards milder temperatures too, but several low pressure systems to the north draw bands of rain eastward, mostly affecting Scotland, occasionally northern England and Wales. A risk of cooler northerly winds re-establishing later in the week, though detail is uncertain.

Forecast issued at 15:40 on Tuesday, 24 March, 2026

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