

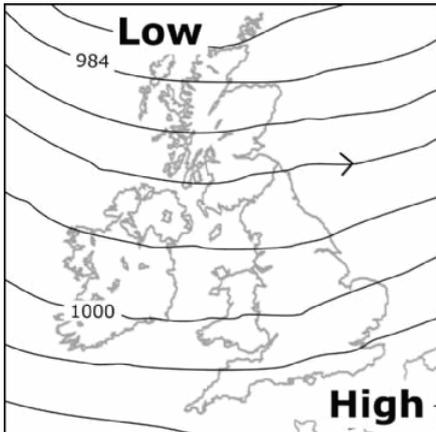
Eryri / Snowdonia National Park

Includes all summits in the the northern half of Wales from Pumlumon northwards.



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General Summary for Friday, 13 March, 2026



British Mountain Summary:
Based on forecast chart for noon 13 March, 2026

Cold widely gale force upland winds around a deep low north of Scotland, will bring a succession of snow and hail showers to the mountains. Cloud will extensively cover the mountains (the highest cloud base well inland afternoon). Much higher terrain will be below freezing point.

Headline for Eryri / Snowdonia National Park

Upland gales; squally hail and snow showers. Fog.

Detailed Forecast for Friday, 13 March, 2026

How windy? (On the summits)	West to southwesterly 45-55mph post dawn. Will tend to ease toward 35-45mph. Very gusty near precipitation.
Effect of wind on you?	Difficult walking over exposed higher terrain, particularly morning when buffeting considerable and wind chill significant.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Hail and snow showers, risk thunder Showers with hail, possibly merging into almost constant precipitation over an hour or so. Snow falling to 400m in morning, then above 500-600m. Risk isolated lightning.
Cloud on the hills?	Very extensive on higher areas - cloud base may drop during day Cloud base varying sometimes quickly: near precipitation shafts of cloud 450m or lower and persistent higher areas. During drier periods cloud base typically 700 to 900m (generally highest east Wales).
Chance of cloud free summits?	20%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Brief bursts of sun, most often east Wales. Visibility varying between intermittently very good, and at least briefly appalling when in snow/hail and cloud.
How Cold? (at 900m)	-2C rising toward 0C afternoon. Will feel as cold as minus 14C directly in the wind.
Freezing Level	500m at first, rising toward 800m through day.

Eryri / Snowdonia National Park - Looking Ahead

	Saturday 14 March	Sunday 15 March
How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	Southwest to westerly, ranging from 25-30 to perhaps for a few hours 35mph. Strenuous walking at times where exposed across higher areas. Considerable wind chill.	Southwest veering west typically between 35 and 45mph, perhaps 60mph morning. Risk strengthening further toward dusk. Continued difficult walking and wind chill significant on exposed higher areas. Expect balance, and in places general mobility to be difficult.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Hail and snow showers. Showers: may be frequent morning, but should gradually ease. Expect hail and above 600m, snow.	Rain morning; clearing to showers Morning: Extensive rain. Middle of day: Clearing from west, but the rain finishing as snow above 700m Afternoon: Hail and snow showers (rain lower slopes).
Cloud on the hills? Chance of cloud free summits?	Almost constantly covering higher tops Varied cloud base: sometimes below 450m near precipitation but periods when most cloud above 600 to 800m (highest near and north of Ogwen valley and easternmost summits). 20%	Hills covered morning; then cloud base rising markedly Morning: Blanket of fog across the hills, breaks to 700m west Wales. Middle of day: Beginning to improve. Into afternoon: Varying cloud base, between occasionally 500m near precipitation and otherwise 750 to 900m. Less than 10% morning; later 40%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Glimpses of sun, mainly lower slopes. Hazy, and very poor visibility in snow.	Dull and misty morning. Then improving to patchy sun (mainly east Wales) and mostly very good visibility (temporarily poor in precipitation).
How Cold? (at 900m) Freezing Level	-1C. Will feel as cold as minus 12C directly in the wind. 850m	4C dropping to 0 or -1C. Will feel as cold as minus 12C where exposed to the wind. Above the summits morning, then dropping to between 650 and 900m.

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Saturday, 14 March, 2026**

Further bouts of upland gales over the next few days. Precipitation on most mountains daily, focussed on western hills. Freeze thaw cycles will occur: on the Scottish Highlands, thaw periods fairly brief and snow accumulating on many slopes. Further south, lying snow more intermittent as periods of thaw will be lengthier. Temperature levels will rise from about next Tuesday and as pressure then builds, most or all mountain areas will then become largely fine.

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