

## Lake District National Park

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Thursday 01 Apr 2021 until 23:59 on Friday 02 Apr 2021

Forecast Issued on Thursday 01 Apr 2021 at 03:00

**Confidence:** High for largely fine, dry conditions through into the coming days and for a more unsettled day Sunday which will introduce much colder conditions for the start of next week, but confidence lower with regard to cloud details.

**Headline for Thursday 01 Apr 2021:** Mainly dry with sunny spells. Occasionally fresh easterly breeze

### Mountain weather hazards on Thursday 01 Apr 2021

**Blizzards**  
No Likelihood

**Heavy Snow**  
No Likelihood

**Storm force winds**  
No Likelihood

**Gales**  
No Likelihood

**Severe chill effect**  
Low Likelihood

**Poor visibility**  
Low Likelihood

**Thunderstorms**  
No Likelihood

**Heavy persistent rain**  
No Likelihood

**Strong sunlight**  
Medium Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
					
Sunny	Sunny	Sunny	Sunny	Clear night	Clear night
Precipitation probability					
10%	<05%	00%	00%	00%	00%

### Forecast for Thursday 01 Apr 2021

**Weather:** A dry day with cloud across eastern fells lifting and breaking to leave sunny spells, these prolonged at times across western fells. Dry with long clear spells through the evening.

**Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m:** Around 40% across eastern fells at first, otherwise around 90%

**Visibility:** Occasional or periods of cloud above 450-600m across eastern fells lifting and breaking through the morning to leave just small amounts of cloud below the summits by late morning. Away from cloud, visibility several kilometres in overnight rain or drizzle, otherwise very good

## Forecast for Thursday 01 Apr 2021

Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)				Wind Direction (blowing from)		
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
<b>900</b>	14/17 E	12/16 E	14/19 E	12/17 E	14/18 E	12/16 E	9/13 E
<b>600</b>	13/18 E	13/18 E	15/21 E	13/18 E	13/18 E	11/16 E	9/13 E
<b>300</b>	6/14 NE	8/14 E	9/16 E	8/15 E	6/13 E	5/13 NE	4/11 E
<b>Valley</b>	11/14 NE	5/8 S	9/15 E	9/14 E	8/15 E	7/13 NE	4/7 NE

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
<b>900</b>	6/2	3/-2	4/-1	4/-0	3/-2	1/-3	-0/-4
<b>600</b>	4/-1	4/-0	6/2	7/3	5/1	2/-2	0/-4
<b>300</b>	5/2	8/5	10/8	10/8	8/6	4/2	2/-0
<b>Valley</b>	8/5	9/8	11/10	12/10	10/8	6/4	5/3
<b>Freezing Level*</b>	2100m	2000m	1900m	1800m	1700m	1000m	500m

\*Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.

### Meteorologist's View

Chill effect increasing through the late afternoon and evening. Valley Max temps around plus 14 or 15 Celsius in west.

### Forecast for Friday 02 Apr 2021

**Weather:** Dry with long clear spells then almost unbroken sunshine through much of the day. However cloud, generally above the summits, is expected to increase during the late afternoon and evening.

**Maximum wind:** Easterly or northeasterly generally 10mph or less

**Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m:** Close to 100% with little or no cloud expected below summits.

**Visibility:** Very good

**Temperature:** **Valleys:** Plus 1 or 2 Celsius at first rising to 10 Celsius in east but around 12 Celsius in west  
**At 800m:** Around minus 1 Celsius, rising to plus 3 or 4 Celsius by day  
**Freezing level:** 600m rising by day to 900m

## Ground Conditions Supplement

Date: Wednesday 31 March 2021 Location: Helvellyn summit at 11:05 Full report: We are continuing to provide the Fell Top Reports for people undertaking their daily exercise during the lockdown. We would like to remind everyone that the most recent Government guidance from 29th March is to minimise travel and to stay local. All Lakeland paths are now clear of unavoidable snow with the overwhelming majority of the fells totally clear of snow. The remaining patches still to thaw lie mainly above 900m on predominantly steep N and E facing aspects and present no hazard to walkers. The only exception to this is on the exit to Striding Edge where there is now a snow free route located slightly to the south of the normal path from the summit to/from Striding Edge. The normal route is also beginning to appear beneath the final bank of snow left to thaw. Today was exceptional for this time of year with both the summit temperature and wind chill (what the temperature feels like) at 11am being above freezing. This is not forecast to continue for the next few days, so full winter clothing (waterproofs, extra warm layers, hat and gloves), mountain boots and equipment remain essential for anyone going out onto the high fells. This is not just for safety, but also for comfort and enjoyment as when not covered in cloud the summits are a place to linger - but with another layer on! Please be conservative with your plans and know both your limits and also when to turn back. A pandemic is not the time to be pushing your comfort zone. The Fell Top Reports continue until Easter Monday; however today was my last day for this year's winter season so may I wish all our readers many enjoyable, memorable and safe days exploring our wonderful fells as restrictions ease in the coming days and weeks. All the best Jon Temperature: plus 8.0 C, Maximum wind speed 11.6 mph, Wind chill: plus 4.6 C, Average wind speed: 8.9 mph

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