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### Snow forecast - Sunday 3 March 2013

After a glorious start to the week, the Foehn wind will be the dominant factor mid-week. This will bring mostly dry but very mild and gusty conditions to the northern alps, but cooler, mostly cloudy weather with rain/snow to the southern (particularly south-western) Alps.

#### Detailed forecast:

##### Austria

**Monday** will be dry and sunny just about everywhere. It will feel pleasantly warm too, especially in the afternoon with freezing levels around 2300m. It will remain dry, mild and mostly sunny on **Tuesday** but a gusty Foehn wind will be evident in some northern valleys.

On **Wednesday**, it will be cloudier in the far south, with one or two showers (snow above 1600m) possible close to the Italian border. All other regions will be dry with variable amounts of sunshine. The Foehn wind will continue to affect some regions, particularly the north and west. **Thursday** will see showers (snow above 1400-1600m) become a little more widespread in the south and east of the Austrian Alps, but no significant rain or snow is expected.



Sunny skies and mild temperatures on Sunday afternoon in Warth-Schröcken - Photo: [www.warth-schroecken.at](http://www.warth-schroecken.at)

##### France

**Monday** will be dry and mostly sunny with just a little cloud moving into the southern Alps later in the day. It will feel warm by the afternoon with freezing levels approaching 2500m. On **Tuesday**, the Foehn will bring dry, often bright, but very gusty conditions to the northern side of the Alps. Further south, it will be cloudier with the risk of showers and some snow above about 1600m. It will feel quite warm in the Foehn-affected valleys of the north (15°C in Chamonix, for example) cooler under the cloudier skies to the south.

**Wednesday** will continue see a strong Foehn wind keep many northern parts dry – though it may be quite cloudy in places with some showers (snow 1800m+) affecting the border regions with Italy. More widespread rain/snow (1800m+) will continue to affect the southern French Alps. The Foehn should die down on **Thursday**, but it will remain rather cloudy, with one or two showers (snow 1800m) particularly in the south.

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Italian village breaks world 24hr snowfall record!

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Chamrousse above the pollution haze of nearby Grenoble - Photo: [www.chamrousse.com](http://www.chamrousse.com)

## Italy

It will be another glorious day for most of the Italian Alps on **Monday**, but some cloud will arrive in the western and particularly south-western Alps later in the day. It will feel warm in any afternoon sunshine with freezing levels close to 2500m. **Tuesday** will be mostly cloudy with some snow likely above 1000m (higher close to the French border) in the western Alps as the day progresses. The eastern Alps, particularly the Dolomites, should stay dry all day.

**Wednesday** will be the worst weather day of the week with showers or longer spells of rain/snow (above 1000-1500m) heaviest in the west. Showers (some snow above 1400m) should be less frequent on **Thursday**, but most places will remain rather cloudy.



Bluebird in Livigno today - Photo: [www.valtline.it](http://www.valtline.it)

## Switzerland

**Monday** will be another fine sunny day for all regions – feeling warm by afternoon with freezing levels well over 2000m. **Tuesday** will remain fine and bright across the north and east of the Alps where it will be very blustery (but quite warm) in some Foehn-affected valleys. Cloud amounts will increase in the south-west later in the day with the odd snow shower possible close to the Italian border.

**Wednesday** will be mostly cloudy, but strong Foehn winds will continue to keep the northern Swiss Alps mostly dry. Further south, some snow showers (1200-1500m) are likely, particularly close to the Italian border. On **Thursday**, the Foehn will die down though it may stay rather cloudy, particularly in the far south where a little snow (1500m) is still possible. The best of any sunshine will be in the northern Swiss Alps.



Fantastic weather in Crans Montana today, as everywhere in the Alps - Photo: [www.cransmontana.ch](http://www.cransmontana.ch)

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#### Outlook:

The outlook is very uncertain, but it is likely to remain unsettled with temperatures starting to drop.

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**Next detailed snow forecast will be on Thursday 7 March, but see [Today in the Alps](#) for daily update**