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Snow forecast - Thursday 28 March 2013

It will remain very unsettled over the next few days with further snow in places.

Detailed forecast:

Austria

The rest of today (Thursday) will be mostly dry with just the odd shower in the north and west (snow 1400m). Overnight most areas will see some snow showers (600-100m) but accumulations are not expected to be significant. Friday will begin mostly cloudy with a few showers (snow 800-1000m) but these should die away and many places will have some bright or sunny spells.

Saturday will see bright spells and scattered showers (snow 800-1200m) but, again, accumulations are expected to be modest. On Sunday, some more widespread snowfall is expected (400-600m) the heaviest of which will be in the south-west.



A scene typical of Austria in Kitzbühel today. Mostly dry but mostly cloudy - Photo: www.kitz.net

France

The rest of today (Thursday) will be cloudy with outbreaks of snow (above 1000-1400m) heavy at times. Snow will continue into the first part of the night with total accumulations of 40cm+ in a few favoured spots - more generally 15-30cm at 2000m. **Friday** will begin dry, perhaps even bright, but cloud will thicken up again to bring further snowfall later. The rain/snow limit will rise to 1500 m during the afternoon.

It will remain unsettled on **Saturday** with showers or longer spells of snow above 1000-1300m, heaviest in the northern Alps. On **Sunday**, the southern Alps should be dry and bright whilst northern areas continue to see a few flurries. It will become colder too, with a biting north-easterly wind.





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Snowing this afternoon in Val d'Isère - Photo: weathertoski.co.uk

Italy

The rest of today (**Thursday**) will be mostly cloudy with snow (800m) becoming heavy in some western regions (e.g. **Courmayeur**, **La Thuile**), and lighter and patchier the further east you go. Some parts of the Dolomites, for example, may stay dry. The weather will improve on **Friday** with some spells of sunshine for most, particularly early on. However, cloud will thicken up again in the west with a little snow possible (900m) later.

Saturday will be variable with a few snow flurries, again mostly in the west with plenty of dry, bright weather further east. On **Sunday**, however, there may be some heavier snow for a time in the eastern Italian Alps whilst western parts remain mostly dry. It will turn colder everywhere.



Snowing hard today in the western Aosta Valley - Photo: www.regione.vda.it

Switzerland

The rest of today (**Thursday**) will be cloudy with outbreaks of snow (800-1200m), heaviest in the west where significant accumulations are likely at altitude. On **Friday** many areas will start dry and bright, but cloud will increase with showers or longer spells of snow likely in the west by early afternoon, spreading east later. The rain/snow limit will rise to 1200-1500m for a time before dropping again later.

It will remain unsettled on **Saturday** with further snow showers (1000-1200m), heaviest in the north and west. Some southern and south-eastern parts may remain dry. It will turn colder (and windier) on **Sunday** with a few snow flurries in places, but also some brighter spells.



Heavy snow in western Switzerland today. This is La Fouly south of Verbier.

Outlook:

It will remain unsettled and relatively cool for the foreseeable future, with further snow at times.

Next detailed snow forecast will be on Monday 1 April, but see $\underline{\text{Today in}}$ $\underline{\text{the Alps}}$ for daily updates

