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Snow forecast - Thursday 18 April 2013

It's been by far the warmest week of the season with freezing levels as high as 3600m and temperatures reaching 24°C in Chamonix. There will be one last warm day in the Alps today before the weather turns much colder (and for some snowier) tomorrow and over the weekend.

This change will be brought about by a cold front that will move in from the west tonight. Although initially weak, this weather front will quickly reactivate with the formation of an area of low pressure over the Gulf of Genova that will keep things "interesting" for much of the weekend. Many areas will see some snow (at least at altitude) with the biggest falls likely in the border regions between both Italy and France, and Italy and Switzerland.

Detailed forecast:

Austria

Thursday will be dry, warm and mostly sunny with freezing levels around 3500m and temperatures as high as 25°C in some of the lower valleys. Tonight some showers will move into the northern Austrian Alps (rain/snow limit 2500m but dropping rapidly later) with the odd rumble of thunder possible.

Friday will be cloudier with showers becoming frequent in the west. The rain/snow limit will sink to 1200m later in the day. The best of any brightness will be in the southern and eastern Alps.

Saturday will be cold and mostly cloudy with showers or longer spells of rain/snow. The snow will be heaviest in the south-western Austrian Alps (e.g. **Ischgl, Obergurgl**) and the rain/snow limit will be between 1000m (north) and 1500m (south). **Sunday** will be brighter with some bright spells and a few residual showers in the south (snow 1800m).



Some cloud in western Austria this morning but this should break up later. This is Lech - Photo: www.ski-ariberg.at

France

Thursday will be mostly dry and sunny. However, cloud will bubble up in the northern and western French Alps in the afternoon with the outside chance of shower later. It will be another very warm day with freezing levels well over 3000m. Tonight, the arrival of a cold front will trigger a few showers across the northern Alps with the odd rumble of thunder possible and snow to 1800m by dawn.

Friday will be generally cloudier though a few sunny spells will persist here and there, particularly in the southern Alps. There will also be some showers, most frequent across the northern Alps during the afternoon with snow above 1800m then 1200m later. Friday night may see an intensification of the snow close to the border areas with Italy.

Saturday will be cold and cloudy with a few showers (snow 800-1200m) and some heavier falls again likely close to the Italian border. **Sunday** should see

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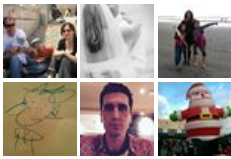
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an improvement in the weather for most regions, but the risk of showers (snow 1700m) will persist close to the Italian border.



Another warm one in the French Alps, though this will be the last for a while. This is Chamrousse, with Grenoble in the background.

Italy

Thursday will be another dry, sunny and very warm day with freezing levels close to 3500m. **Friday** will be generally cloudier although there will still be some sunny spells, particularly in the eastern Alps. A few showers will break out across the western Alps as the day goes on with snow falling above 1800m then 1200m later.

On Friday night the snow is likely to intensify across the western Italian Alps and continue into **Saturday**. There will be some significant falls in places with the rain/snow limit around 1000-1200m. Snow showers will become more frequent further east too, particularly across the western Dolomites. It will remain cool and unsettled on **Sunday** with the risk of further snow showers (1500m) particularly in the north-west (Aosta region).



Gorgeous weather in the Aosta Valley this morning but they are due some significant snow in the next few days. This is Valtournenche/Cervinia - Photo: www.regione.vda.it

Switzerland

Thursday will again be warm and mostly sunny. However, cloud will bubble up later this afternoon with the just the outside chance of a shower. Tonight, a few more showers are possible in the northern and western Alps (snow to 1800m by dawn) but many places will stay dry.

Friday will be much cooler and cloudier with showers or longer spells of rain/snow in many places, most frequent in the afternoon. The rain/snow limit will descend to 1200m or lower in the northern Alps, remaining a bit higher further south.

It will remain cold and unsettled on **Saturday** with further rain or snow, dying out in the north, but remaining heavy close to the Italian border. The rain/snow limit will be around 1000m in the north, 1400 in the south. **Sunday** will see a slight improvement in the weather, with sunny spells and just a few showers, again most likely close to the Italian border regions where it will snow above about 1700m.



Samedan airport near St Moritz where snow is on the agenda again this weekend.

Outlook:

The weather will improve again next week with rising temperatures and more in the way of sunshine.

Next detailed snow forecast will be on Monday 22 April, but see [Today in the Alps](#) for daily updates