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### Snow forecast

**Updated: 1pm Monday 10 November 2014**

There's a very unsettled week in store for the Alps with showers or longer spells of rain/snow. The areas likely to see the heaviest precipitation will be in the south, i.e. Italy and regions close to the Italian border. The driest weather will generally be in the northern and eastern Alps - particularly Austria (away from the Italian border).

It will be relatively mild with significant snowfalls, mostly above 2200m but this snow level will come down to 1500m or lower in the west mid-week. Examples of resorts likely to see large snowfall totals (at altitude) in the next few days include **Zermatt**, **Saas-Fee**, **Cervinia**, and the **Monte Rosa** region - much the same areas that saw the heaviest snow last week.

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#### Detailed forecast:

##### Austria

The rest of **Monday** will be mostly dry with sunny spells. However a few showers are possible in the far west (e.g.) **Lech** and close to the southern borders with Italy (e.g. **Lienz**) with snow above 2000m. However no significant snowfall is expected. It will be mild - very mild even in the central and northern Austrian Alps under the influence of the **Foehn**.

**Tuesday** and **Wednesday** will be similar with lots of dry, sunny and mild weather but still a few showers close to the Italian border (snow 2200m).

On **Thursday** it will become more generally unsettled with showers or longer spells of rain/snow - snow generally above 1800-2200m to start with but lower in the west later.



Mild and bright in Zell-am-See today, which will miss the heaviest snowfalls again this week - Photo: foto-webcam.eu

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##### France

The rest of **Monday** will be mostly cloudy with showers, heaviest and most prolonged in the southern Alps with snow above 2000m or so. **Tuesday** will remain rather cloudy though, but bar the odd shower here and there mostly dry in the northern French Alps. Further south, showers will be more frequent and prolonged with further snow above 2000-2300m .

On **Wednesday** the showers will become more widespread again with an increased chance of snow for the northern French Alps this time around. It will also turn a little cooler with the rain/snow limit dipping to 1500m or so.

**Thursday** should be brighter and milder.

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##### Italy

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The rest of **Monday** will be generally cloudy with showers or longer spells of rain, heaviest and most persistent across the central and western Italian Alps with snow above 2000m (higher in the east) and significant accumulations in places.

**Tuesday** and **Wednesday** will see very little change with further spells of rain or snow in all regions – the snow mostly above 2200m in the eastern Alps, lower in the western Alps where it might fall to 1500m on **Wednesday**. **Thursday** should see brighter skies move in from the west.



Big snowfalls again in Sestriere this week - Photo: vialattea.it

**Switzerland**

The rest of **Monday** will be cloudy with showers, heaviest and most frequent in the far south close to the Italian border. The rain/snow limit will be between 1800 and 2200m.

It will remain mostly cloudy on **Tuesday**, though many central and northern Alpine regions will be dry under the influence of the Foehn. By contrast, showers or longer spells of rain/snow will continue close to the Italian border – snow generally above 2000-2200m.

**Wednesday** may start dry and bright in the east, but showers in the west will become rather more widespread with snow dropping to 1500m or lower later. **Thursday** should see an improvement in the weather with brighter skies and relatively mild temperatures.

**Outlook:**

It will remain unsettled with further rain and snow spreading into the south and west over the weekend.

**Next detailed snow forecast will be on Friday 14 November 2014, but see [Today in the Alps](#) for daily updates**

