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Snow forecast

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The forecast for the Alps remains changeable this week, with a little snow in places, but widespread heavy snowfall is still NOT on the agenda anytime soon.

In light of what the medium term weather models were suggesting just a few days ago, this is a disappointing turn of events. However, at least it is now cold, which will allow the snow cannons to operate at full capacity for a few days before it turns milder again towards the end of the week. There will also be a little snow in places, mostly in the northern half of the Alps then perhaps switching to the south over the weekend.

Detailed forecast:

Austria

The rest of today (**Tuesday**) will be cold with variable cloud and one or two light flurries (400m) chiefly in the northern half of the Alps, but not amounting to very much. The best of any sunshine will be in the south (Carinthia).

Wednesday will be mostly dry with sunny spells. It will also feel a little milder with freezing levels around 1200-1500m.

Thursday will see further snow (above 700-1000m) for many resorts, though the far south (Carinthia) will again remain dry with sunny spells. The snow will be mostly light but a few cm are possible in places, especially in the north and west.

The weather should improve again on **Friday** with sunny spells and increasing temperatures – especially on the northern side of the Alps (due to the [Foehn](#) effect).



Looking white in Lech today, but snow cover is perilously thin - Photo: lech-zuers.com

France

The rest of today (**Tuesday**) will be cold with variable cloud and just the odd isolated snow flurry.

Wednesday will start dry and bright, and remain so in the southern French Alps. However, thicker cloud and some light snow will reach the northern Alps later in the day. It will turn a little milder with the rain/snow limit around 1000/1200m.

Thursday will see one or two early snow flurries (900m) in the northern French Alps. Elsewhere it should be mostly dry with variable cloud and the best of any sunshine in the south.

Friday will be milder, especially at altitude, with sunny spells but increasing cloud later in the day.

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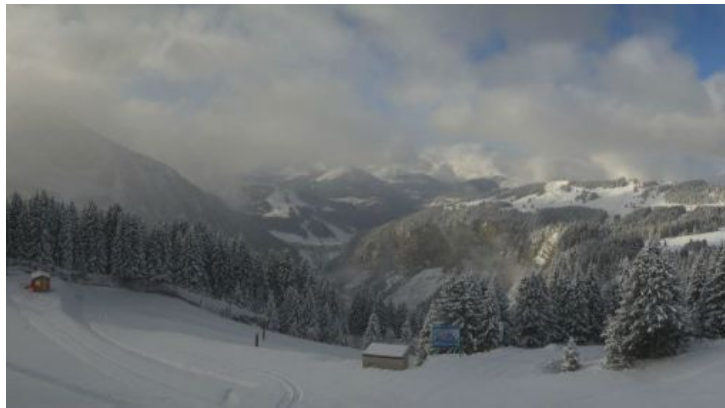


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10-15cm of fresh snow in the Avoriaz area last night - Photo: avoriaz.com

Italy

The rest of today (**Tuesday**) will be cold but mostly dry with sunny spells and just a little cloud here and there.

For the most part, Italian resorts will also now stay dry through **Wednesday**, **Thursday** and **Friday** with sunny spells and just a little cloud here and there. Just a few flurries are possible in the far north-west (Aosta Valley) late on **Wednesday**. It will also turn a little milder as the week progresses.



Bright skies across Livigno today, which should continue for much of the week - Photo: valtline.it

Switzerland

The rest of today (**Tuesday**) will be mostly dry with variable cloud and sunny spells.

Wednesday should start dry but cloud will thicken from the north-west to bring some light snow (1000-1300m) to many places later in the day. The far south and particularly south-east should, however, stay dry.

Thursday will see a few snow flurries (800-1100m), mostly in the northern Swiss Alps and heaviest furthest east. Further south it should be dry and mostly bright.

Friday should be dry and mostly bright but cloud will increase in the north and west later in the day. It will feel a little milder, especially in the northern Alps, due to a slight [Foehn](#) effect.

Outlook:

It will remain changeable over the weekend with a little snow possible in the south and west, but still no widespread heavy falls in prospect.

Next detailed snow forecast will be on Friday 12 December 2014, but see [Today in the Alps](#) for daily updates

