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Snow forecast

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The Alpine weather will remain very unsettled over the next few days, with further snow in places, heaviest in the north. However, with fluctuating temperatures, there is also the risk of some rain at low altitude.

Over the next five days or so, we are likely to see some significant accumulations of snow at altitude across the northern half of the Alps. There will also be some snow lower down, especially towards the middle of next week when it will turn noticeably colder.

Throughout this period the southern side of the Alps (notably Italy) will see less snow but, as always, there will be exceptions to this rule.

Detailed snow forecast:

Austria

Saturday will see variable cloud and occasional snow flurries (600m), mostly across the northern Alps but not amounting to much. The best of any sunshine will be in the south.

Sunday will be milder, but with further showers or longer spells of rain/snow (1200-1400m).

On **Monday** it will turn colder again with more substantial snow to increasingly low levels, particularly in the north and west.



Snowing today in Stuben, with more expected over the coming days - Photo: stuben-arlberg.at

France

Saturday may see some cloud trapped in the lower valleys for a while but this should break up to allow a reasonably sunny day in most places, particularly at altitude, with freezing levels rising to 1500m.

Sunday will be mostly cloudy again with some showers or longer spells of rain/snow (1200-1600m), heaviest in the northern Alps. The far south may stay dry and bright.

It will remain very unsettled on **Monday** but, with cold air digging in later, the rain/snow limit will drop to around 1000m. The heaviest precipitation will again be in the northern Alps.

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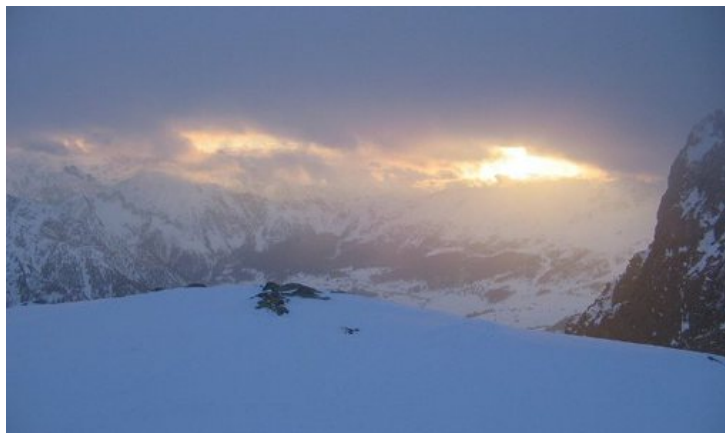
A cloudy end to Friday, with light snow in St Martin de Belleville - Photo: st-martin-belleville.com

Italy

Saturday will be mostly dry with plenty of sunshine.

Sunday will see variable cloud and some showers in the north-western Italian Alps close to the French/Swiss border later in the day (snow 1200-1500m).

On **Monday** the north-west (Aosta) will again see showers or longer spells of rain/snow (1500m dropping later), while further east it remains drier with just a few showers creeping over the border.



Changeable looking skies over the Monte Rosa region today. This is Gressoney - Photo: monterosa-ski.com

Switzerland

After some early cloud at low altitude, **Saturday** should see plenty of sunshine.

Sunday will see rain/snow (1000-1500m) spread from west to east, though some central southern regions (Ticino) may stay dry.

It will remain mostly cloudy on **Monday**, with further precipitation and a rain/snow limit starting around 1200-1500m but descending to under 1000m later.



Fresh snow today in Grindelwald, but there could also be some rain in the mix over the next few days - Photo: flyovershop.ch

Outlook:

It will remain unsettled but turn cold, with further snow to low levels for many parts during the middle part of next week.

Next detailed snow forecast will be on Tuesday 3 March 2015, but see [Today in the Alps](#) for daily updates