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Snow forecast

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After a relatively fine day today, new weather fronts will approach the Alps from the north tonight delivering outbreaks of snow in places over the next couple of days.

Most of this snow will be on the northern side of the Alps, heaviest in the north-east where some parts of Austria as well as central and eastern Switzerland could see another 30-50cm of snow over the next 48-72hrs.

On the whole, the southern side of the Alps will see less snow (some places will stay completely dry) and everywhere will become fine and settled again by the weekend.

Detailed snow forecast:

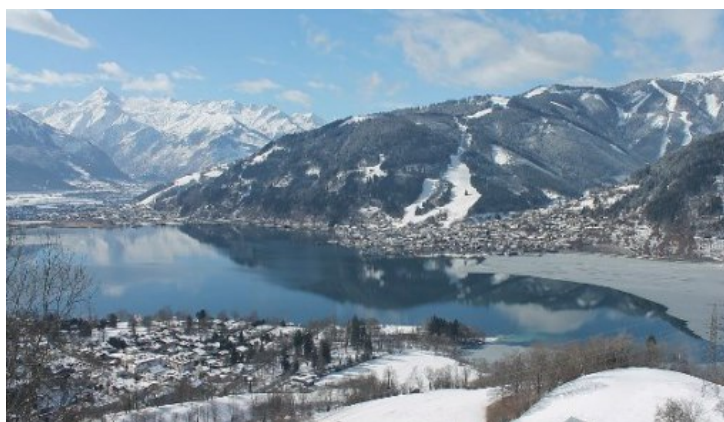
Austria

The rest of **Tuesday** will be dry with sunny spells and freezing levels around 1400m.

Wednesday will be cloudier with outbreaks of snow (500-700m), heaviest in the north and west, lighter and patchier in the south where there may be some brighter spells.

It will remain cold with further flurries on **Thursday**, mostly in the north and west.

By **Friday** the last of any flurries should have died out, with most places seeing some sunshine. Temperatures will recover a fraction, but it will still be cold.



Lovely weather today in Zell-am-See, but further snow is expected on Wednesday and Thursday - Photo: foto-webcam.eu

France

The rest of **Tuesday** will be dry with sunny spells, and freezing levels around 1400-1600m.

Wednesday will be cloudier, at least in the northern Alps, with snow showers (600-800m) but also some drier interludes. The southern Alps will see the best of any brightness with little if any snow.

Thursday will be cold and very windy at altitude. The northern Alps will see variable cloud and the odd light snow flurry. The southern Alps will be dry with plenty of sunshine.

Friday will be dry and mostly sunny, but still rather cold, with temperatures just starting to recover.

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Bright today in Tignes, but snow showers are expected tomorrow - Photo: tignes.net

Italy

The rest of today (**Tuesday**) will be mostly sunny with freezing levels around 1700-2000m.

Wednesday will see variable cloud, with occasional light snow flurries (600-900m) possible close to the border areas, but with many places staying dry.

On **Thursday**, many places will be dry with sunny spells, but it will be windy with the odd flurry still possible in the eastern Italian Alps.

Friday will be dry and mostly sunny, and a little less cold.



Stunning weather this afternoon in Champoluc, but cloudier skies are expected tomorrow - Photo: regione.vda.it

Switzerland

The rest of **Tuesday** will be dry with sunny spells and freezing levels around 1400-1600m.

Wednesday will be cloudier with showers or longer spells of snow (500-700m), heaviest in the northern and far western Swiss Alps. Some southern regions (notably Ticino) will stay dry and relatively bright.

Thursday will be cold and very windy at altitude. Some snow flurries (400m) will persist across the northern and eastern Alps, otherwise there will be bright spells with the best of any sunshine in the south.

On **Friday** the last of the flurries will die away from the north-eastern Alps to leave most regions with plenty of sunshine. It will remain relatively cold, but temperatures will recover a fraction.



Lots of fresh snow in Flumserberg in north-east Switzerland, with more expected this week - Photo: flumserberg.ch

Outlook:

The outlook is for a spell of dry and mostly sunny weather to take hold of the Alps, with increasingly spring-like temperatures.

Next detailed snow forecast will be on Friday 6 March 2015, but see [Today in the Alps](#) for daily updates