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Snow forecast

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The last of the snow flurries are moving away from the eastern Austrian Alps, as we enter a lengthy period of fine, settled weather with steadily increasing daytime temperatures.

Today (Friday) it is still quite cold and very windy at altitude. Over the next few days, however, this wind will drop and it will feel noticeably warmer everywhere, with freezing levels creeping towards or even exceeding 3000m.

In short, spring is in the air!

Detailed snow forecast:

Austria

Today (**Friday**), the last remaining snow showers (400-600m) are affecting the far eastern Austrian Alps, otherwise it's a mostly dry but still rather chilly day, with plenty of sunshine, especially in the west.

Saturday, **Sunday** and **Monday** will be dry and sunny, with cold nights but increasingly warm days (with freezing levels rising to 2700m by **Monday**).



Fresh snow and blue skies in western Austria today. This is Warth-am-Arlberg - Photo: warth-schroecken.com

France

Friday through to **Monday** will be mostly sunny with just a little high cloud at times. It will remain quite windy at altitude until **Sunday**, but afternoon temperatures will gradually increase so that it will feel quite warm in any shelter. Freezing levels will reach around 2800m by **Monday**.

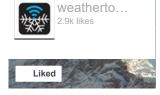




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Italy

Friday through to Monday will be mostly sunny with just a little high cloud at times. It will remain quite windy at altitude until Sunday, but afternoon temperatures will gradually increase so that it will feel quite warm in any shelter. Freezing levels will be close to 3000m by Monday.



Sunny skies in Livigno this afternoon, which are set to stay for some days to come - Photo: valtline.it

Switzerland

Friday through to Monday will be mostly sunny with just a little high cloud attimes. It will remain quite windy at altitude until Sunday, but afternoon temperatures will gradually increase so that it will feel quite warm in any shelter. Freezing levels will reach around 2800m by Monday.



Clear blue skies in south-east Switzerland today. This is Scuol - Photo: scuol.ch

Outlook:

It is likely to remain fine and settled all of next week, though there is still some uncertainty about the forecast towards the end of the week. Nights will be chilly, but afternoons will feel quite warm with freezing levels creeping above 3000m.

Next detailed snow forecast will be on Tuesday 10 March 2015, but see **Today in the Alps** for daily updates

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