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Latest snow forecast

Updated: 5.15pm Tuesday 6 December 2016

High pressure is still dominating the weather in the Alps and will continue to do so (give or take) for at least the next 10 days, possibly even for two weeks or more. The only place where snow is forecast is the north-eastern Alps (mostly Austria) later on Sunday and on Monday, but even here it will probably only be a modest fall. For the vast majority of the Alps there is absolutely no sign of any significant new snow any time soon.

On the positive side, all this fine weather is good for snow-making. Yes it will warm up this week, which may limit operations in some parts of the Alps (especially during the day), however, next week will see a return to cooler conditions allowing the snow-cannons to return to something like full capacity...

Detailed forecast:

Austria

Wednesday, Thursday and Friday will be dry with lots of sunshine above any patchy low-lying cloud/fog. Freezing levels will rise from between 2300m and 2700m on **Wednesday** to 3000m or higher in most places towards the end of the week.



Deep blue skies in Austria this afternoon. This is the Heiligenblut area – 6 December 2016 – Photo:

France

Wednesday, Thursday and Friday will be dry with lots of sunshine and just a little low cloud/fog close to the foothills. Freezing levels will rise steadily to reach between 3000m and 3500m later in the week.

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Good snow and perfect weather in Tignes today – 6 December 2016 – Photo: tignes.net

Italy

Wednesday, **Thursday** and **Friday** will be dry with lots of sunshine across the Italian Alps. Freezing levels will rise to reach or exceed 3000m as the week progresses.



Glorious weather in Italy's Monte Rosa region – 6 December 2016 – Photo: monterosa-ski.com

Switzerland

Wednesday, **Thursday** and **Friday** will be gloriously sunny in the Swiss Alps, with any low cloud/fog mostly confined to the foothills. Freezing levels will increase to reach between 3000m and 3500m as the week wears on.



View from the Laax-Flims ski area today – 6 December 2016 – Photo: laax.com

Outlook:

The weekend will be mostly fine with plenty of sunshine. However, cloud will increase in the far north and especially north-eastern Alps on Sunday with a few showers or flurries here and there (rain/snow limit starting around 1500m, then lowering to 1000m). The vast majority of the Alps will, however, stay dry.

