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#### Latest snow forecast

Updated: 2.45pm Wednesday 1 February 2017

The weather in the Alps has entered a much more unsettled phase, with a succession of storms moving in from the west over the next few days.

All areas are likely to see some snow at times, especially at altitude. However, with fluctuating temperatures, there will also be some rain lower down, especially in the northern and western Alps.

All in all, resorts with plenty of skiing above 1800m should emerge from this storm cycle with healthy net (snow) gains. There are some concerns for the lowest resorts, however, though it should turn much colder everywhere later next week.

#### **Detailed forecast:**

#### Austria

**Thursday** will be dry with variable cloud and the best of any sunshine in the north. It will be mild with freezing levels close to 2500m.

**Friday** will be cloudy with a little rain/snow (1400m) in the south (Osttirol and Carinthia), otherwise most areas will be dry and mild with some bright or sunny spells.

**Saturday** will see some sunny spells, especially in the morning, but also occasional showers (snow 1200-1500m), becoming heavier and more prolonged in the west and south-west (e.g. Lech) later in the day.



Cloudy skies over the Tux valley this afternoon – 1 February 2017 – Photo: foto-webcam.eu

#### France

**Thursday** will be mostly dry during daylight hours in the northern Alps (roughly north of Grenoble). However, some showers (snow 1600-1800m) will break out in the southern Alps, especially later in the day.

**Friday** looks like being unsettled with showers or longer spells of rain/snow, especially early and late in the day. The rain/snow limit will start between 1200m and 1500m, but will drop to under 1000m later.

 $\textbf{Saturday} \ \text{will remain mostly cloudy with further rain or snow (1000-1300m)}.$ 

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Sunny this afternoon in Les Arcs, but snow is expected over the next few days – 1 February 2017 - Photo: lesarcs.com

#### Italy

**Thursday** will be mostly cloudy with occasional showers here and there, especially later in the day. The rain/snow limit will be around 1300-1600m.

**Friday** and **Saturday** will continue mostly cloudy, with occasional showers or longer periods of rain or snow, with a rain/snow limit somewhere between 1000m and 1500m.



Fresh snow in Livigno this morning, with more likely over the coming days – 1 February 2017 - Photo: worldcamera.net

### Switzerland

**Thursday** will be mostly dry with variable cloud and some sunny spells in the north. By contrast, thicker cloud and some showers (snow 1200-1400m) are likely in the far south-west (e.g. Zermatt, Saas-Fee) later in the day.

**Friday** will see a few bright spells in the north and east at first. Further south there will already be showery rain/snow, which will extend further north and east as the day progresses. The rain/snow limit will be between 1200m and 1700m in most places but a bit lower in the far south.

**Saturday** will be cloudy with showers or longer spells of rain (snow 1000-1500m) at times.



New snow in Samnaun with more expected over the next few days – 1 February 2017 – Photo: samnaun.ch

#### **Outlook:**

It will remain unsettled with further snow (or rain at low altitudes) at times on  $\bf Sunday$  and  $\bf Monday$ . Later next week it may turn a bit drier, but colder.

Next detailed snow forecast will be on Friday 3 February 2017, but see <u>Today in the Alps</u> for daily updates

