

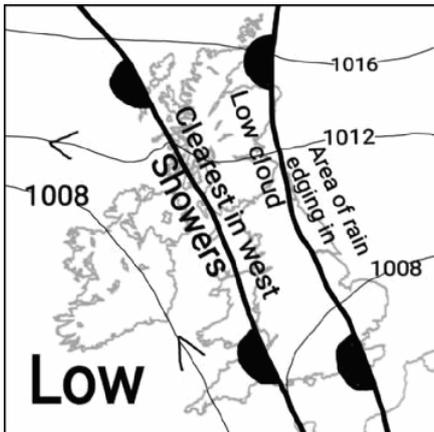
Brecon Beacons

Includes all higher summits in the southern half of Wales: the Bannau Brycheiniog / Brecon Beacons National Park, southern Cambrian Mountains and highest Preseli hills.



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General Summary for Wednesday, 1 May, 2024



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 1 May, 2024

East to southeast winds, mostly moderate in strength, will bring low cloud to eastern hills, but breaking up widely in the west with patchy sun. The legacy of a front will act as a focus for scattered heavy shower development, whilst an area of rain may spread in across parts of the east and Wales later in the day.

Headline for Brecon Beacons

Most low cloud clearing, then patchy sun. Risk of a few showers, or heavy rain later.

Detailed Forecast for Wednesday, 1 May, 2024

How windy? (On the summits)	Southeasterly between 10 and 20mph: generally strongest in the morning.
Effect of wind on you?	Small
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Risk showers afternoon, and into evening a pulse of heavy rain. Risk scattered heavy showers afternoon breaking out. These may give way to an area of heavy, perhaps thundery, rain from the east into the evening. There remains marked uncertainty over this through.
Cloud on the hills?	Varied patches, but often clear A few patches after dawn, banks of cloud mainly on east and southeastern slopes. Locally forming temporarily after rain. Hill fog may reform in any heavy rain that develops into evening.
Chance of cloud free summits?	70%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Sun and varied cloud. May turn overcast later in the day. Excellent visibility.
How Cold? (at 750m)	4C rising toward 10C
Freezing Level	Above the summits.

Brecon Beacons - Looking Ahead

	Thursday 2 May	Friday 3 May
How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	Easterly or variable, 20 to 35mph, locally may be very gusty, mainly mid-Wales, in places downslope to west. Locally very varied, but possible sudden buffeting making walking arduous in places not just on higher terrain.	Westerly 10 to 20mph, may increase to 25 to 30mph in the afternoon. May become increasingly blustery through the day.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Periods of rain Uncertain progress of a slow-moving front over Wales, may give several hours of rain, some heavier bursts from elevated cloud layers.	Risk of rain, perhaps for much of the day. Large uncertainty: An elongated area of low pressure and its associated complex frontal zone, may drift across area to bring wet conditions for several hours.
Cloud on the hills? Chance of cloud free summits?	Risk extensive Risk of low cloud shrouding many hills for periods, most persistent eastern areas. May vary during the day, filling in extensively around rain, but some periods where cloud largely above hills, best breaks in west. 40%	May well be extensive Risk of low cloud shrouding the hills extensively in fog throughout the day. Highest bases and best breaks across east Wales. 30%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Rare weak sun due to high cloud layers, mostly overcast and dull. Hazy.	Overcast cloud layers most likely. Visibility often poor should rain set in.
How Cold? (at 750m) Freezing Level	7C to locally 10C west. Feeling close to freezing directly in wind. Above the summits	7C Above the summits

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Thursday, 2 May, 2024

High pressure to the north and a slow-moving area of low pressure circulating to the south during midweek. Scattered showers possible for the Highlands, but a lot of dry weather - warmest and clearest in the west. Powerful easterly winds will be very gusty by Thursday into early Friday, especially Scotland and northern England, then easing. A front brings a risk of persistent rain for Wales on Thursday. Slow-moving weather patterns are likely to continue onward into the Bank Holiday weekend, giving considerable uncertainty of local day-to-day detail, but most likely the wind often light and fairly warm overall. A good amount of dry and bright weather, but risk of locally thundery showers forming.

Forecast issued at 16:37 on Tuesday, 30 April, 2024

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