Brecon Beacons

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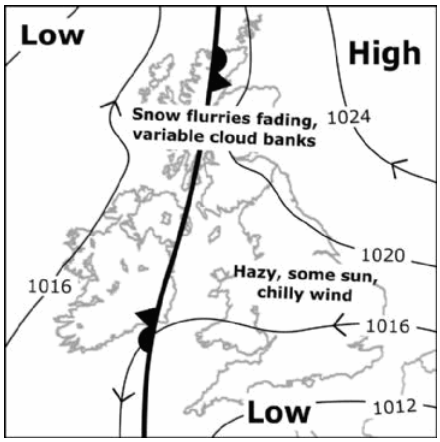
General Summary for Wednesday, 25 November, 2026



British Mountain Summary:
Based on forecast chart for noon 25 November, 2026

Early morning snow in the central Highlands will fade to flurries, becoming largely dry. Locally strong SE'ly wind for eastern Scotland, much less wind further west. England & Wales generally dry, with some weak sun, but hazy views and a cold wind.

Headline for Brecon Beacons

Variable wind and gusts; largely dry, some haze, clearer west.

Detailed Forecast for Wednesday, 25 November, 2026

How windy? (On the summits)	Easterly 15 to 25mph, very variable from place to place, average speeds and gusts tending to increase particularly mid-Wales and toward western Cambrians.
Effect of wind on you?	**Starting to affect ease of walking on exposed terrain with considerable wind chill, gusty in places not just on tops.**
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	**Generally dry** Substantially dry throughout the day, chance of a rare light flurry in east. Expect icy rock surfaces on high terrain.
Cloud on the hills?	**Mostly east, clearer west** Varying cloud banks across inland and eastern hills in the morning, tending to thin, but patches may linger in east, or return again later. Further west, much patchier and many hills toward Cardigan Bay likely clear much of the day.
Chance of cloud free summits?	**40% east, to 70% west.**
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Little if any weak sun due to layers of high cloud. Visibility very good west, hazier east and south.
How Cold? (at 750m)	Around 0C, small change with height above around 500m; slightly warmer west. Feeling near -10C if in stronger wind.
Freezing Level	Poorly defined with much upland terrain partly frozen above 500m, though some higher western slopes just above freezing. Slight frost inland valleys in morning.

Brecon Beacons - Looking Ahead

	Thursday 26 November	Friday 27 November
How windy? (On the summits) **Effect of wind on you?**	East-southeasterly 20 to 30mph, tending to strengthen during the day, some stronger gusts may develop; 50mph into **Affecting comfortable walking on high terrain, increasingly strenuous with some buffeting gusts. Considerable wind chill.**	Southerly 30 to 40mph, likely strongest from dawn into the morning, may ease to 20mph or less as the day goes on. **Risk of arduous walking and significant wind chill in the morning at least, tending to improve.**
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	**Dry all day** Into night, risk of hill snow developing from the west.	**Rain setting in to tops** Summit snow, sleet and rain from before dawn, persistent heavier falls of rain to the tops setting in from the west, likely to continue all day and beyond dusk.
Cloud on the hills? **Chance of cloud free summits?**	**Covering tops for periods** Varying cloud banks around higher slopes, most persistent toward southeast of Brecon, breaking up northwestwards. **50%**	**Extensive** Shrouding high terrain widely, from some lower elevations upward much of day in south and western areas. **10%**
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Sun likely to weaken as a veil of high cloud thickens from the west. Visibility good out of cloud, though quite hazy south.	Overcast and dull. Poor visibility widely, or whiteout over hills in snow and cloud.
How Cold? (at 750m) **Freezing Level**	-1C, small change with height 600m up. Feeling like -7 to -10C on high terrain. Much terrain frozen, thawing only on sunlit lower slopes up to 500m.	3C. Risk of wind chill feeling like -10C at least in the morning. Some terrain starts frozen at varying heights, but typically rising just above freezing to higher slopes; risk of ice.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Thursday, 26 November, 2026

Atlantic fronts bump into cold air across Britain by late Thursday into Friday, resulting in further hill snow, particularly substantial in southern Scottish Highlands. Strong to gale force south to southwesterlies prevail into the weekend, but a cold body of air across Britain will be slow to warm up, leaving many mountains frozen especially inland across Scotland and northern England; lying snow staying in place across the hills and some further flurries over hills at times, locally more persistent rain and hill snow; driest northern Scotland. Wales tending to become milder sooner over the weekend. Early next week, southwesterly gales are likely, milder for all at times with rain.

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