

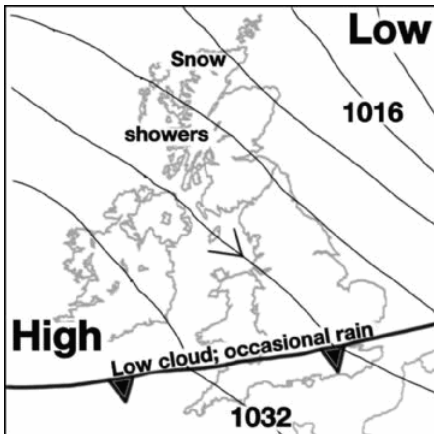
Brecon Beacons

Includes all higher summits in the southern half of Wales, including highest point in Preseli Hills.



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General Summary for Thursday, 27 January, 2022



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 27 January, 2022

Windy. Low cloud and patches of rain will clear southward across Wales. Otherwise, a drop in freezing level will bring snow showers to Scotland (mainly west and north), and bursts of sun. Although a rise in cloud base, most western mountains will remain shrouded in cloud.

Headline for Brecon Beacons

Drizzly rain clearing southward middle of day. Fog extensive higher areas.

Detailed Forecast for Thursday, 27 January, 2022

How windy? (On the summits)	Northwesterly typically 25 to 30mph by late morning or midday, although post dawn 35 to 40mph.
Effect of wind on you?	Be prepared for very gusty conditions in the morning with considerable wind chill and buffeting. Winds easing thereafter.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Patchy rain morning, drier afternoon. A little rain, mainly west Wales, after dawn, will be clearing southwards through the morning. Then dry.
Cloud on the hills?	Extensive morning, largely clearing afternoon. Extensive fog through the morning, generally bases 300-500m, lowest west Wales. However, will gradually improve from north middle of the day as cloud base rises to fluctuate between 550m and 800m, clearing particularly higher tops in east Wales.
Chance of cloud free summits?	Less than 10%, rising to 70% through middle of day
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Patches of sun developing in afternoon in east Wales; a few bursts of sun west Wales. Fairly murky conditions in the morning, but visibility becoming very good in afternoon.
How Cold? (at 750m)	5C slowly dropping toward 3C
Freezing Level	Above the summits.

Brecon Beacons - Looking Ahead

	Friday 28 January	Saturday 29 January
How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	Light winds in the morning will increase to a south-westerly 20mph and then perhaps 30mph near dusk. Wind will be noticeable but shouldn't have a large impact on walking ability.	Low confidence of timing of frontal system. Upland gales, westerly 30-50mph. Perhaps easing later. Difficult and walking conditions for those not used to high winds. Gusts may throw you off balance.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Mostly dry Mostly dry through the day but pockets of rain southern Cambrian mountains from around dusk.	Wet through the day Pockets of drizzle and rain will persist for most of the day before a weak band of rain arrives later in the day, perhaps after dusk. The Black Mountains likely to receive the least rain.
Cloud on the hills? Chance of cloud free summits?	Extensive Extensive cloud from lower slopes upwards on the Cambrian mountains and the Brecon Beacons. Cloud base will be higher inland but summits may remain in cloud. 30%	Low cloud Cloud down to lower slopes, especially in western mountains. Cloud base will be higher inland but may not clear higher summits. 50%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Dull and hazy when not in cloud with little or no sunshine.	Good visibility but sun hidden behind high cloud
How Cold? (at 750m) Freezing Level	2C. Above summits	5C Above summits

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Friday, 28 January, 2022**

Westerly winds, sometimes exceeding gale force at least in Scotland will continue until into next month. There will be frequent rainfall on western mountains; copious on the W & NW Highlands, where as temperatures oscillate, there will be both rain and snow - over time, the snow accumulation on the Munros. Further south, only occasionally will freezing levels be low, with most precipitation as rain.

There remains uncertainty later Sunday (30th) when a small low may bring significant snow to the Scottish Highlands.

Forecast issued at 15:23 on Wednesday, 26 January, 2022

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