

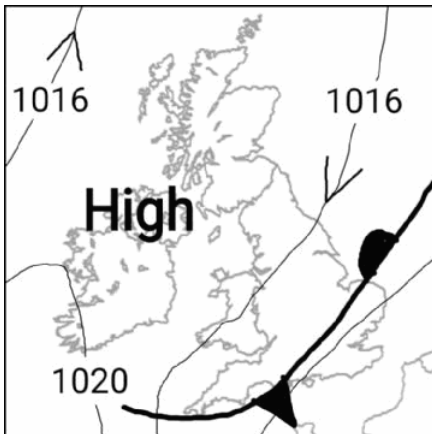
Brecon Beacons

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



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General Summary for Wednesday, 17 August, 2022



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 17 August, 2022

A ridge of high pressure will bring an improving day with low cloud breaking to reveal occasional sunshine. However, the legacy of a front across Wales and S Pennines will give low cloud and patchy drizzle in the morning, but brighter conditions will arrive into the afternoon, and the gusty northeast wind will ease.

Headline for Brecon Beacons

Gusty winds, later easing. Dull and damp morning. Slowly improving afternoon.

Detailed Forecast for Wednesday, 17 August, 2022

How windy? (On the summits)	Northeasterly 20 to 30mph in the morning, risk 35mph some tops, easing a little to 15 to 25mph in the afternoon.
Effect of wind on you?	Blustery conditions, will impede walking at times across the hills. Strongest winds not necessarily on highest slopes. Easing a little in the afternoon.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Patchy rain tending to fizzle out. Areas of rain and drizzle in the morning, slowly tending to fizzle out, leaving drier conditions in the afternoon.
Cloud on the hills?	Extensive, lifting and breaking up afternoon. Areas of low cloud shrouding the hills extensively for several hours associated with a lingering front. Likely to slowly lift and break up from north into the afternoon, but unlikely to clear tops until late afternoon or evening.
Chance of cloud free summits?	20% lifting to 60% in afternoon
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Dull morning, but cloud tending to break up to allow some a little sun in the afternoon. Murky morning, then visibility improving to become very good in afternoon.
How Cold? (at 750m)	10 to 12C
Freezing Level	Above the summits

Brecon Beacons - Looking Ahead

	Thursday 18 August	Friday 19 August
How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	Southwesterly 10mph at dawn, increasing to 15 to 25mph through day, risk 30mph tops. May increasingly impede walking across higher slopes through the day.	West to southwesterly 15 to 25mph Mostly small
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Dry start, then heavy bursts of rain. After a dry start to the day, thickening cloud will bring an increasing risk of heavy bursts of showery rain towards and more especially into the afternoon.	Occasional showers Occasional passing showers through the day. These showers fairly brief, and many hills may well escape them and stay dry; especially in east Wales.
Cloud on the hills?	Increasingly covering the hills. Some good breaks at first with many hills clear, but a few patches. However, increasingly low cloud will form over higher slopes as showery rain moves in.	Confined to, or above, tops. Early banks of cloud tending to break up and lift through morning to become confined to tops, and even here likely clearing into the afternoon.
Chance of cloud free summits?	70% at first, lowering from west to 30%	70%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Becoming increasingly cloudy with early patches of sun soon giving way. Visibility sometimes poor due to rain.	Occasional sunshine, most frequent in the east. Visibility good or very good, but lowering in showers as they pass by.
How Cold? (at 750m) Freezing Level	12 lifting to 14C Above the summits	10 or 11C Above the summits

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Thursday, 18 August, 2022**

A more unsettled period of weather ahead over the coming week, as low pressure will be often anchored to the northwest of the British Isles. This will result in west to southwesterly winds prevailing, with periods of strong winds or even gales at times, with frequent rainfall across western mountains, and rainfall more occasional further east where the best of the dry and bright weather will occur. Generally cooler, but warm sectors will move in at times over England and Wales bringing an increase in humidity levels once again.

Forecast issued at 16:50 on Tuesday, 16 August, 2022

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