

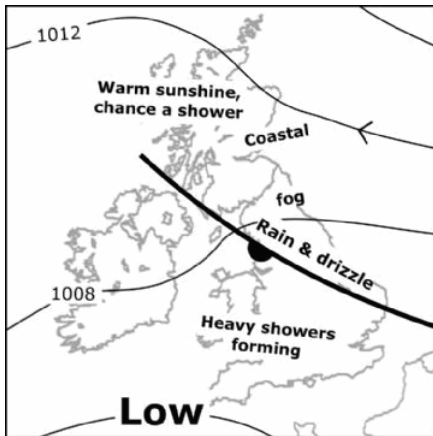
Brecon Beacons

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 Thursday, 16 May, 2024



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 16 May, 2024

Dry for much of the Highlands, but chance of localised afternoon showers in the west. Early areas of low cloud mainly central and east areas lifting. An increasing easterly breeze. Patchy rain northern England, heavier rain setting in for southern Pennines, later north Wales. Localised thundery downpours south Wales.

Headline for Brecon Beacons

Bursts of rain and local thunderstorms. Varied wind.

Detailed Forecast for Thursday, 16 May, 2024

How windy? (On the summits)	Easterly 15-20mph in the morning, then becoming variable 10mph or at times less, but sudden gusts developing around heavy rain.
Effect of wind on you?	Often fairly small, but feeling breezy over tops early in the day.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Bursts of rain developing, risk lightning A few hours largely dry in morning, but increasing risk local bursts of rain forming, becoming fairly widespread by middle of day into afternoon, local downpours with hail, thunder and lightning; greatest risk southern areas, lower risk in mid-Wales.
Cloud on the hills?	Morning varied tops, later mostly clear. Banks of low cloud may appear on eastern hills in the morning, lifting and breaking up. Patches toward west, but good breaks. Ragged fragments forming and lowering with patches from forest canopies up around heavy rain.
Chance of cloud free summits?	60%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Fairly cloudy, a little sun mostly in west. Visibility mostly good, but reduced to poor in showers.
How Cold? (at 750m)	9 to 11C. Feeling like 3C in stronger breezes early morning.
Freezing Level	Above the summits.

Brecon Beacons - Looking Ahead

	Friday 17 May	Saturday 18 May
How windy? (On the summits)	Northeasterly 10 to 15mph. At times variable and low speeds.	Northeasterly, 10 to 15mph, occasionally 20mph on higher summits.
Effect of wind on you?	Small.	Mostly small, but feeling cool in the breeze.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Rain risk for most of the day. Rain and drizzle frequent. Heavier rain possible in the afternoon, risk of isolated thunderstorm.	Risk local heavy showers forming An odd patch of rain or brief shower in the morning, mainly toward east. Risk of localised heavy bursts of rain forming into the afternoon, chance of a thunderstorm, mainly toward south.
Cloud on the hills?	Extensive cover most of the day. Hills covered, low chance of clearing. Cloud base may start to lift a little afternoon into evening.	Low cloud lifting Banks of low cloud over the hills in the morning, lowest and most persistent in eastern areas. Will lift toward then above most tops into middle of day. Patches lowering in showers. Local fog possible near to Pembrokeshire coast.
Chance of cloud free summits?	10%	60%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Mostly overcast and dull.	Mostly cloudy, dull and misty start. Improving with brighter skies and a little sun, visibility becoming good away from showers.
How Cold? (at 750m)	8 to 10C.	10 to 12C. Feeling like 5 to 7C in the breeze.
Freezing Level	Above the summits.	Above the summits.

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Friday, 17 May, 2024**

Slack pressure patterns continue to drift around slowly. Plenty of dry and fairly warm weather, although feeling cooler toward the north and east this weekend and early next week. East or southeasterly breezes most common. Localised showers forming in the afternoons, chance of an isolated heavy or thundery burst. Low cloud affecting eastern hills at times, western mountains more often clear.

Forecast issued at 16:30 on Wednesday, 15 May, 2024

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