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Brecon Beacons

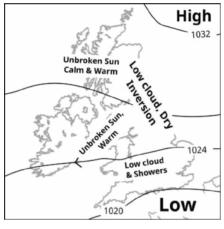




Includes all higher summits in the southern half of Wales: the Bannau Brycheiniog / Brecon Beacons National Park, southern Cambrian Mountains and highest Preseli hills.

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General Summary for Friday, 20 September, 2024



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 20 September, 2024

Sunny, warm and calm with only morning valley fog in the Highlands. Low cloud southern Scotland and northeastern England, inversion, tops above the cloud. Sunny Lake District. East Wales under low cloud, west including Snowdon sunny & dry. Showers in Brecon Beacons. Locally gusty Welsh and English hills.

Headline for Brecon Beacons

Mostly cloudy, brief showers, locally heavy

Detailed Forecast for Friday, 20 September, 2024

How windy? (On the summits)	Easterly 20 or 25mph. Locally gusty on Cambrian Mountains.	
Effect of wind on you?	Fairly small.	
How wet?	Risk of showers, locally risk thunder	
(Precipitation and its impact)	One or two periods of showery rain - perhaps a heavy burst with risk an isolated thunder. Most showers in the evening, rain very unlikely before late afternoon.	
Cloud on the hills?	Increasingly widespread	
	In the morning low cloud between 200-450m, highest toward the west. Highest summits often above the cloud (or between cloud layers), particularly in the morning. During the day cloud on various levels.	
Chance of cloud free summits?	50%	
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Occasional sunshine, mainly west Wales. Sunny higher tops first half of the day. Hazy.	
How Cold? (at 750m)	13C, colder lower down where in cloud.	
Freezing Level	Above the summits.	

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Brecon Beacons - Looking Ahead

	Saturday 21 September	Sunday 22 September
How windy? (On the summits)	East to northeasterly, 15 to 20mph, locally 25mph.	Northeast to southeasterly, 20 to 30mph, locally toward 35mph for a while. Gusty.
Effect of wind on you?	Mostly small.	Walking impeded, stability affected in gusts in most exposed places, marked wind chill.
How wet?	Heavy thundery showers	Rain on and off, risk thunder
(Precipitation and its impact)	High risk showers, highest late in the day, but may appear locally already in the morning. Showers at times heavy and moderate to high risk of lightning.	Thundery rain on and off with sometimes heavy bursts. Moderate risk of lightning. Wet underfoot.
Cloud on the hills?	Cloud on various levels, morning mist	Hills widely in cloud
	Valley fog or very low cloud in the morning below 500m. During the day fog slowly dispersing, but afternoon cloud coming and going on various higher levels.	Dull, hardly any break
Chance of cloud free summits?	30%, tops in the morning cloud-free	10%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Glimpses of sun between dark rain clouds. Moderate/good visibility, some haze in the air.	Murky and dull, little sun coming through near Cardigan Bay at times. Haze in the air.
How Cold? (at 750m)	13 or 14C	10 to 12C, feeling below 5C in wind.
Freezing Level	Above the summits.	Above the summits.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Saturday, 21 September, 2024

High pressure conditions with a lot of sunshine, warm temperatures and calm winds continue until early next week in Scotland and northern England. In Wales and Peak District during the weekend heavy showery bursts of rain, possibly thunderstorms. On Monday clouds and brief rain in Scotland. Northern England mostly dry, Peaks and Wales still wet. On Tuesday most likely dry day, before a deep low pressure system arrives on Wednesday/Thursday, bringing strong cooling and a lot of rain to most British mountains. Toward next weekend probably cold and wet, with again some snow on high tops.

Forecast issued at 13:08 on Thursday, 19 September, 2024

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