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# **Brecon Beacons**

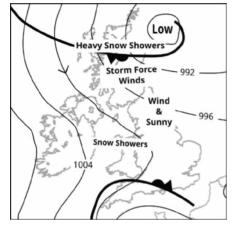




Includes all higher summits in the southern half of Wales: the Bannau Brycheiniog / Brecon Beacons National Park, southern Cambrian Mountains and highest Preseli hills.

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# General Summary for Thursday, 21 November, 2024



# British Mountain Summary: Based on forecast chart for noon 21 November, 2024

Heavy snow showers with gales in the Highlands. Southern Scotland and northern England mostly sunny, cold, windy at times, only isolated snowfall near the coasts. In Wales changeable conditions, from snowfall and whiteouts to sunny spells with a few clouds. Chilly.

#### **Headline for Brecon Beacons**

Uncertainties, some snow & rain, cold

# Detailed Forecast for Thursday, 21 November, 2024

How windy? (On the summits)	Low forecast confidence: West to northwesterly, 15 to 30mph, varying.		
Effect of wind on you?	Variable, in places buffeting with marked wind chill and impeded walking.		
How wet?	Sleet in the west, low risk snowfall east		
(Precipitation and its impact)	Sleet on and off on Western Cambrians. In Brecon Beacons mostly dry, low risk of snow for a few hours and a few cm of snow cover by the evening.  Snow on ground.		
Cloud on the hills?	Locally covering hills, mainly coastal		
	Hills mostly clear, local cloud may form near the coast. Visibility strongly reducing in eventual snowfall.		
Chance of cloud free summits?	50%		
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Sun in and out, longer periods with no sun at all and prolonged whiteouts in showers toward west & south. Elsewhere visibility very good.		
How Cold? (at 750m)	0C. Feeling below -5C in wind.		
Freezing Level	Near 300m by the coast, well inland near sea level.		

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#### **Brecon Beacons - Looking Ahead**

	Friday 22 November	Saturday 23 November
How windy? (On the summits)	Northwesterly, 25 to 40mph, slowly easing through the day.	Southeasterly 40 to 60mph, high variability in time and space.
Effect of wind on you?	Walking arduous, in places foot placement may become difficult Significant wind chill, stability affected.	Difficult conditions on many hills, any mobility hardly possible in most wind-exposed places, balance hard to keep.
How wet?	Morning showers western hills	Snowfall, then heavy rain
(Precipitation and its impact)	Showers fairly intense near the coast, only occasionally in Brecon Beacons. Below 400m rain, higher up sleet or snow. Showers becoming very rare in the afternoon.	Snowfall in the morning, at times heavy, but soon changing into rainfall. Rain continues to be intense, Very wet underfoot by the end of the day, with additionally melting snow streams in spate, flooding possible.
Cloud on the hills?	Possible	Hills covered extensively, whiteout
	Low cloud on various levels where snow is falling. If dry (most often east Wales), hills most likely clear.	Hills fully covered, very likely all day. With intense precipitation whiteout frequent at least first half of the day.
Chance of cloud free summits?	60%	Very low
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Glimpses of sun possible between periods of overcast sky and temporary whiteouts.	Overcast, zero visibility, whiteout.
How Cold? (at 750m)	+1 to +3C, feeling near -10C in wind	-1C rising to +10C
Freezing Level	500-800m	Rising from 300-600m early morning to well above all summits afternoon.

## **Planning Outlook**

### All mountain areas of Britain from Friday, 22 November, 2024

Weekend will start with heavy snowfall for many mountains. With significant warming, from Saturday afternoon change into snow, perhaps locally freezing rain for a while. On Sunday frequent rain, freezing level above all summits. On both weekend days severe winds even in the valleys! Next week with start with some cooling, mix of rain and snow showers, then dry for Tuesday and Wednesday. Wednesday night another warm front will move over the UK southwest to northeast, bringing rain and strong winds. Later, milder and moderately wet.

#### Forecast issued at 15:34 on Wednesday, 20 November, 2024

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