

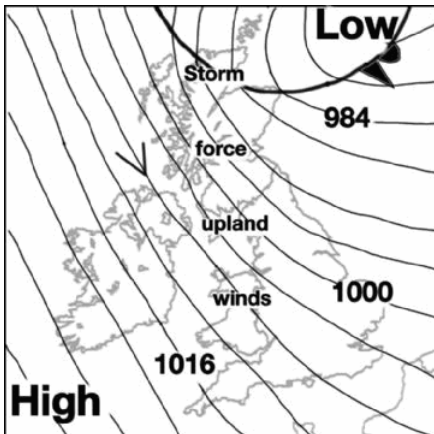
# Brecon Beacons

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 Sunday, 22 December, 2024



### British Mountain Summary:

**Based on forecast chart for noon 22 December, 2024**

Very severe conditions due to widespread storm force northwesterly winds across the mountains. Frequent snow showers will come in off the sea, extending well inland and in some areas merging to give almost constant snow and whiteout for a few hours.

### Headline for Brecon Beacons

Storm force upland wind. Snow showers.

## Detailed Forecast for Sunday, 22 December, 2024

<b>How windy? (On the summits)</b>	Northwesterly 55mph.
<b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	<b>Arduous walking on lower slopes, whilst higher up severe wind chill and any mobility challenging, particularly near precipitation.</b>
<b>How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)</b>	<b>Showers, snow higher areas</b> Snow and hail showers, sometimes frequent; mostly rain below 400, later 500m. Least precipitation east Wales, where frequently dry.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>Extensive on higher areas</b> Near precipitation cloud sometimes below 400m particularly west Wales, but breaks to 750m. Summits in east Wales may well frequently clear.
<b>Chance of cloud free summits?</b>	<b>40%</b>
<b>Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)</b>	Sunshine, mainly east Wales; only occasional sun west. Very varied visibility, sometimes excellent, but appalling in snow.
<b>How Cold? (at 750m)</b>	0C, slight rise through day. Will feel as cold as minus 18C directly in the wind.
<b>Freezing Level</b>	600m; will rise marginally through daylight.

## Brecon Beacons - Looking Ahead

	Monday 23 December	Tuesday 24 December
<b>How windy? (On the summits)</b>	Northwesterly; 25 to 30mph.	Westerly 15 but on some slopes 20 to perhaps 25mph.
<b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	<b>Fairly small lower summits, but anticipate periods of considerable wind chill and walking markedly impeded by the wind.</b>	<b>Often fairly small, but sudden gusts in places, including on some lower slopes.</b>
<b>How wet?</b> (Precipitation and its impact)	<b>Rain spreading east</b> The odd shower, snow above 600m morning. Occasional rain, or possibly temporarily snow or refrozen rain above 650m, spreading slowly east middle of day or afternoon.	<b>Drizzly, mainly west Wales</b> Drizzle frequent Cambrian and Preseli. Elsewhere, drizzle rare - if any.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>Deteriorating as cloud later envelops lower slopes</b> Cloud lifting off the summit, particularly east Wales for most of the day . But anticipate cloud to lower onto the hills from west as rain approaches.	<b>Blanket of cloud across even most lower slopes.</b> Cloud base widely below 300m Cambrian and Preseli. Eastward, the cloud a little higher, but rarely above 600m.
<b>Chance of cloud free summits?</b>	<b>70% later dropping from west to 20%</b>	<b>Less than 10%</b>
<b>Sunshine?</b> Air clarity (below cloud)	Little or no sunshine as cloud thickens from west. Visibility very good; later poor in rain.	Sunshine rarely coming through some valleys, mainly east Wales. Poor visibility west Wales, particularly in drizzle, but very good or excellent easternmost Wales.
<b>How Cold? (at 750m)</b>	0C rising slowly through afternoon. Will feel as cold as minus 8C directly in the wind.	9C. Will feel close to freezing point where exposed to the wind
<b>Freezing Level</b>	Near or in afternoon increasingly above highest tops.	Above the summits.

**Planning Outlook****All mountain areas of Britain from Monday, 23 December, 2024**

A change in the weather pattern from Tuesday as high pressure progressively envelops Wales and England. Here (and also in S Scotland), extensively dry and the and progressively dropping, initially across Wales. Mild - although frost in valleys some nights. Still windy Scottish Highlands, here very mild with lying snow substantially melting. Rain frequent NW Highlands, and less so W Highlands. Further east little or no rain.

**Forecast issued at 12:03 on Saturday, 21 December, 2024**

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