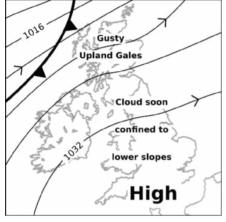
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Brecon Beacons

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 Wednesday, 15 January, 2025



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 15 January, 2025

Strong upland gales and powerful gusts over the Highlands; wind getting increasingly lighter further south. Extensive cloud possible in the morning but will very soon be confined to the lower slopes and many summits will be cloud free and dry. Superb visibility on high ground, above haze layer. Feeling mild, especially where wind is

light. Headline for Brecon Beacons

Generally a fine day with some fog in the valleys

Detailed Forecast for Wednesday, 15 January, 2025

How windy? (On the summits)	West or southwesterly 10 to 15mph.	
Effect of wind on you?	Small or negligible.	
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Precipitation unlikely	
Cloud on the hills?	Little if any	
	Cloud will have cleared the hills overnight, leaving fog in valleys and possibly covering the Preseli.	
Chance of cloud free summits?	80%	
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Bright sunshine and superb visibility. Hazy or foggy valleys, especially nearer the Bristol Channel.	
How Cold? (at 750m)	Varied: mostly between 5 and 8C.	
Freezing Level	Above the summits.	

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Brecon Beacons - Looking Ahead

	Thursday 16 January	Friday 17 January
How windy? (On the summits)	Southerly; 15 to 20mph, strongest west Wales; may reach 25mph Cambrian range.	South to southwesterly 15 to 20mph. Will ease further later in the day.
Effect of wind on you?	Fairly small.	Often small but risk that there may be sudden gusts at times, especially in the morning. Marked wind chill on mid-slopes.
How wet?	Rain not expected	Risk of drizzle near south coast
(Precipitation and its impact)		Little or no rain for much of the area. Risk of drizzle near the south coast, particularly Bannau Brycheiniog/Brecon Beacons NP.
Cloud on the hills?	Mountains mostly cloud free, but increasingly forming during day	Lower coastal slopes shrouded
	From dawn: Very low cloud will lap onto lowest west slopes SW Wales, breaking to little if any north of the Preseli and Brecon. Through day, the cloud will spread north, base mostly 300 to 450m with the cloud top rising to 600 to 800m with highest summits above the cloud.	Extensive cloud on lower slopes facing the coasts. May extend to the summits but the summits may well be above the cloud deck. Clouds more broken inland in mid-Wales.
Chance of cloud free summits?	90% dropping to 30%	60%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Extensive bright sunshine and higher up excellent visibility but haze and cloud will gradually extend northwards.	Very clear air and bright sunshine if above the cloud deck. Poor visibility and hazy low down.
How Cold? (at 750m)	8C	Possibly as high as 7C, but mid and lower slopes will be colder at around 5C. Feeling around -5C on the mid-slopes in the wind.
Freezing Level	Above the summits.	Above the summits.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Thursday, 16 January, 2025

Persistent thaw through the week as very mild air arrives from the southwest and later south. There will be a little drizzly rain near the west coasts - possibly wetter in some areas from the weekend. However, from time to time, mountains, most frequently in England and Wales will clear (sometimes above fog on lower slopes). Winds sometimes fairly light, particularly Wales, but windier progressively northwards with periods of upland gales Scottish Highlands.

Forecast issued at 16:30 on Tuesday, 14 January, 2025

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