

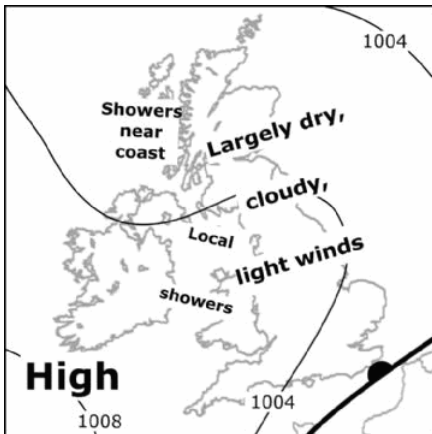
# Brecon Beacons

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, 22 January, 2025



### British Mountain Summary:

#### Based on forecast chart for noon 22 January, 2025

A quiet day overall with light winds. Local showers near western coasts, but many places staying dry. Fairly extensive cloud, persisting over some upper slopes all day, local breaks generally better toward east and north. Near or just below freezing over higher terrain.

### Headline for Brecon Beacons

Light winds. Many places dry, low cloud lifting.

## Detailed Forecast for Wednesday, 22 January, 2025

<b>How windy? (On the summits)</b>	Variable direction, 10mph or less in morning. During afternoon, west to northwesterly, 10 to 15mph, increasing a little into evening.
<b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	<b>Little to none, but noticeable wind chill later in the day.</b>
<b>How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)</b>	<b>Little precipitation expected</b> A mostly dry day toward south and east. Local drizzly showers near west coast may drift further inland over the Cambrians in the afternoon.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>Low cloud mostly morning and in west</b> Varied banks of cloud at different elevations in the morning, tending to drift to upper slopes, but likely to often cover western summits. Some breaks forming for periods, best toward east during afternoon.
<b>Chance of cloud free summits?</b>	<b>40%</b>
<b>Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)</b>	Glimpses of sun possible. Good visibility out of cloud, but rather hazy east Wales.
<b>How Cold? (at 750m)</b>	1 or 2C
<b>Freezing Level</b>	Just above the summits.

## Brecon Beacons - Looking Ahead

	Thursday 23 January	Friday 24 January
<b>How windy? (On the summits)</b> <b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	South-southwest turning abruptly westerly; speeds soon increasing to 50mph, risk 60-70mph for a time, suddenly squally. <b>Soon difficult conditions, frequent buffeting where exposed; gusts may knock you over. Significant wind chill.</b>	An intense storm system: southwest veering westerly; 70-90mph possibly much of day, speeds may start to lessen later. <b>Expect severe conditions most or all day; any mobility very difficult from lower elevations upward.</b>
<b>How wet?</b> (Precipitation and its impact)	<b>Heavy rain, sleet highest tops</b> Soon from dawn, abruptly heavy rain, sleet or possible snow on highest tops. Continuing for several hours, then breaking up into clusters of showers into afternoon, but may still result in frequent precipitation. Chance isolated thunder.	<b>Early rain then showers</b> Heavy rain at dawn soon clearing eastwards, followed by occasional showers, may turn to snow high tops.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>Fairly extensive, varied extent</b>  Some banks of cloud to lower south-facing slopes at first. Then varied across the hills, often covering many tops, but some breaks occasionally forming if rain breaks up.	<b>Varied, mostly western tops</b>  Cloud base soon mostly confined to upper slopes, clearing for periods, but patches likely to come and go especially in west.
<b>Chance of cloud free summits?</b>	<b>30%</b>	<b>40%</b>
<b>Sunshine?</b> Air clarity (below cloud)	Generally overcast. Visibility very poor in rain, local improvements.	Occasional sun, mostly east. Hazy at best, visibility poor in showers.
<b>How Cold? (at 750m)</b>  <b>Freezing Level</b>	1 or 2C. Wind chill feeling like -15C.  Close to highest summits.	5C at dawn, falling quickly toward 0C.  Above the summits overnight and post-dawn, then lowering possibly rapidly near to highest summits around 800m.

**Planning Outlook****All mountain areas of Britain from Thursday, 23 January, 2025**

Deteriorating later this week - a series of storm systems coming in from the Atlantic through late January bringing frequently severe conditions to the mountains. Thursday sees winds reach gale force on many tops with a spell of heavy rain and upland snow developing from the west. By Friday, severe conditions from lower elevations upward, hurricane-force winds over the mountains, plus extensive rain and hill snow. Gales continue into Saturday, severe for the Highlands. Snow is likely to accumulate over Scottish mountains during the next week or so with only brief thawing. More variable temperatures for England and Wales with cycles of freeze and thaw. Atlantic patterns likely prevail into early February.

**Forecast issued at 15:42 on Tuesday, 21 January, 2025**

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