

Brecon Beacons

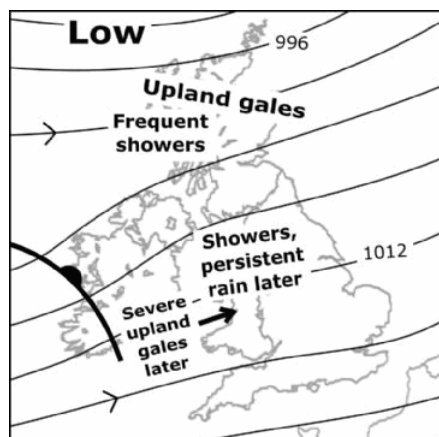
Includes all higher summits in the southern half of Wales: the Bannau Brycheiniog / Brecon Beacons National Park, southern Cambrian Mountains and highest Preseli hills.



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General Summary for Monday, 26 May, 2025



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 26 May, 2025

Gales widespread over the mountains, during afternoon in Wales strengthening to become increasingly severe on tops. Showery bursts, most frequent in the west, hail and isolated thunder. Merging into constant and heavier rain for England, Wales and southwest Scotland later.

Headline for Brecon Beacons

Windy, severe gales later; showers then heavier rain.

Detailed Forecast for Monday, 26 May, 2025

How windy? (On the summits)	Southwesterly 30mph, strengthening to reach 45mph during afternoon, 55-60mph on highest tops into evening.
Effect of wind on you?	Frequent buffeting across the hills, making walking uncomfortable on exposed terrain; deteriorating further to become widely difficult later. Significant wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Occasional showers; constant rain later Showers mostly toward coast in west at first, extending eastwards to give showery rain on and off during day. Through afternoon, developing into more persistent rain, setting in heavier, continuing into evening.
Cloud on the hills?	Mostly high tops, lowering to become extensive Patches of cloud likely to come and go over higher tops, particularly western areas, bases 600-800m. Higher breaks common in east. Lowering generally over higher terrain as rain becomes persistent.
Chance of cloud free summits?	40%, by later afternoon 10%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Occasional sun mostly east in morning. Visibility very good for periods, briefly poor in showers, reducing generally to poor later.
How Cold? (at 750m)	4C rising to 6 or 7C. Wind chill feeling like -5C on tops.
Freezing Level	Above the summits

Brecon Beacons - Looking Ahead

	Tuesday 27 May	Wednesday 28 May
How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	West to southwesterly 15-25mph early morning. Strengthening rapidly to 50mph middle of day into afternoon. Fairly small early morning, but deteriorating conditions afternoon, becoming difficult as gales develop and increase.	West to northwesterly 20 to 25mph, risk 30-35mph for a few hours from dawn. Starting to affect comfortable walking where exposed on higher terrain. More blustery at first. Marked wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Heavy rain setting in Dry start, for longest in east, but rain moving in from southwest - some uncertainty of timing - but threat of heavy rain soon setting in, continuing afternoon into evening.	Showers mostly early in day Showery rain from overnight may continue into early morning before clearing, leaving brief passing light showers. Into night, risk of heavy rain moving in from the west.
Cloud on the hills? Chance of cloud free summits?	Becoming extensive Patches of cloud mostly higher and western tops in the morning; most tops clear or clearing for a few hours. As rain develops, cloud lowering to blanket hills to increasingly low levels. Dropping to 10% as rain sets in	Lifting and clearing Patches capping some high tops in the morning, possibly fairly extensive at dawn, mostly higher western hills. Lifting to clear the tops by middle of day. 70% rising above 90%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Any weak sun at dawn giving way as high cloud builds, soon overcast. Visibility starting very good, then poor as rain develops.	Broken cloud and sun; cloud filling in for periods, sunnier later near coasts. Visibility very good.
How Cold? (at 750m) Freezing Level	6C rising to 9C. Feeling colder as wind speeds increase, later may feel sub-zero where exposed. Above the summits	5C rising to 8C. Wind chill feeling sub-zero in morning, risk nearer -5C at first. Above the summits

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Tuesday, 27 May, 2025**

Changeable conditions this week with low pressure and frontal systems passing west to east. West to southwesterly winds prevailing, speeds varied, but gale force for periods on the mountains. Spells of rain and showers, some periods of sustained heavier rain. Cloud often shrouding higher terrain. Better toward the east and northeast of Scotland. Generally rather cool for Scotland, near freezing on highest summits early in week, then a little milder, or warmer further south over England & Wales. Some improvements in conditions especially in southern areas as pressure builds at times, but mixed westerlies are likely to prevail into the start of June.

Forecast issued at 16:00 on Sunday, 25 May, 2025

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