

Brecon Beacons

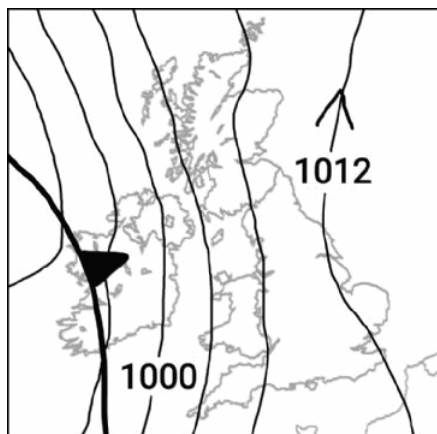
Includes all higher summits in the southern half of Wales: the Bannau Brycheiniog / Brecon Beacons National Park, southern Cambrian Mountains and highest Preseli hills.



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General Summary for Saturday, 20 December, 2025



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 20 December, 2025

South to south-easterly winds, reaching gale force for western hills, local drizzly showers southwestern Scotland as well as Wales, with rain into Pembrokeshire later. Elsewhere, areas of weak sun and low cloud. Low cloud focused on eastern side of Pennines and also southern and eastern Highlands.

Headline for Brecon Beacons

Strong to gale force winds. Mostly dry, rain later in west. Fairly extensive low cloud.

Detailed Forecast for Saturday, 20 December, 2025

How windy? (On the summits)	South to south-easterly 25 to 40mph, but up to 50mph for a time hills west of Brecon.
Effect of wind on you?	Walking arduous, or near west coast difficult, with a very turbulent airflow. Significant wind chill and buffeting.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Isolated showers, persistent rain later in west. Mostly dry, but scope for a few drizzly showers. Later as a front edges in from the west, heavy rain will move in to Pembrokeshire, perhaps into night more widely into hills west of Brecon.
Cloud on the hills?	Fairly extensive Fairly extensive cloud banks of cloud covering upper slopes or tops through the day, but some occasional breaks.
Chance of cloud free summits?	30%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Very likely overcast. Visibility good at times, but poor in rain.
How Cold? (at 750m)	3 or 4C. Directly in the wind feeling like -10C.
Freezing Level	Above the summits

Brecon Beacons - Looking Ahead

	Sunday 21 December	Monday 22 December
How windy? (On the summits)	Easterly 25 to 40mph	Southeasterly 15 to 25mph
Effect of wind on you?	Very blustery, gusty winds, with sudden, strong gusts running downslope from ridges and passes. Significant wind chill.	Blustery at times with marked wind chill where exposed to the wind.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Rain may become heavier and persistent Patches of rain or drizzle at first, but through the day a batch of heavier and more persistent rain may well spread up from the south.	Early rain and drizzle, then isolated patches. A warm front and its widespread rain clears early, but further patches of rain or drizzle may follow, but small amounts.
Cloud on the hills?	Widespread, especially in rain Hill fog will very likely be extensive across the hills through the day. Best of any breaks will be toward the west coast.	Fairly extensive, but breaks west coast. Extensive at varying heights in rain. As rain clears, varied conditions with banks widely on some hills, whilst cloud lifting off other nearby hills, at least for a time.
Chance of cloud free summits?	20%	20%, but 60% westernmost hills.
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Extensively dull. Visibility perhaps good at times, but marked haze and poor when in rain.	Little or no sun. Visibility poor in rain, but tending to become good, despite a slight haze.
How Cold? (at 750m)	Around 3 or 4C	3C
Freezing Level	Above the summits	Above the summits

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Sunday, 21 December, 2025

A much drier and chiller theme develops into the Christmas period and perhaps into the New Year, as high pressure builds to the north and northeast and maybe later in the period overhead over Scotland when inversion conditions would be in place. An extensive cloud sheet will likely come in from the North Sea over many days with light snow showers or flurries likely, rain to lower slopes, but many areas dry. Best breaks in the west.

Forecast issued at 19:02 on Friday, 19 December, 2025

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