

Brecon Beacons

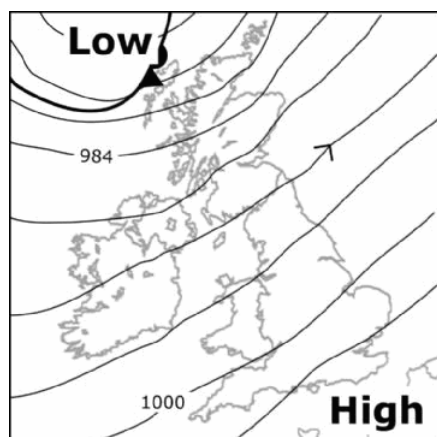
Includes all higher summits in the southern half of Wales: the Bannau Brycheiniog / Brecon Beacons National Park, southern Cambrian Mountains and highest Preseli hills.



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General Summary for Monday, 12 January, 2026



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 12 January, 2026

Extensive upland gales, although storm force at first N Scotland. Bands of showers, of hail, and snow higher areas, will merge to give periods of almost constant precipitation on many western mountains. Small risk thunder. Driest conditions will be on easternmost mountains and S Wales.

Headline for Brecon Beacons

Gale force upland wind. Showery; fog.

Detailed Forecast for Monday, 12 January, 2026

How windy? (On the summits)	Southwesterly 40mph.
Effect of wind on you?	Walking widely difficult on higher areas, frequent buffeting even lower elevations. Considerable wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Rain much of the day, heavy bursts Showers, sometimes frequent some with hail. Driest mid Wales. Very wet underfoot west Wales due to previous rain.
Cloud on the hills?	Often covering tops Covering areas above 600m extensively, and in rain cloud base sometime below 300 or 400m. In mid Wales, most cloud above the summits.
Chance of cloud free summits?	Less than 10%, but 60% mid Wales
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Glimpses of sun, mainly mid and east Wales. A general haze,n.
How Cold? (at 750m)	5C. Will feel as cold as -8C where exposed to the wind.
Freezing Level	Above the summits.

Brecon Beacons - Looking Ahead

	Tuesday 13 January	Wednesday 14 January
How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	Forecast confidence remains low: Generally south 30 to perhaps 40mph, but speeds may be lower or drop from west. Walking on higher areas may well be arduous most or all day and wind chill considerable.	West backing southerly around 25mph before later in day strengthening to 40-50mph. May well be fairly small for several hours before walking.becomes increasingly difficult and wind chill significant.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Rain may become incessant Rain may well fall most or all day - although drier conditions to the west may penetrate across Wales (very uncertain).	Risk of snow an hail showers A few showers may come in off the sea giving hail and snow, although rain lower particularly coastal slopes. Threat precipitation setting in late in day.
Cloud on the hills? Chance of cloud free summits?	Blanket of low cloud probable; cloud base may rise or have risen from west Cloud may well fill in or have filled in across the hills in rain. There may be improvement from the west but this very uncertain. 10%	Probably remaining extensive on most or all higher areas Cloud sometimes forming below 450m near the coast, but cloud base generally rising to 600 to 800m - possibly a few breaks to higher summits, mainly east Wales. Cloud base may drop markedly later in day. 20%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Little or no sunshine. Widely misty or murky in rain.	Occasional sunshine, before cloud thickens from west. Visibility often very good, but poor in snow.
How Cold? (at 750m) Freezing Level	6C Above the summits.	-1C 700m.

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Tuesday, 13 January, 2026**

High rainfall and intermittently windy across most mountains over the next week or more as a series of Atlantic lows cross Britain. With uncertainty in the tracks of some lows, Tuesday's forecast remains very uncertain - but by Wednesday a transient weak ridge of high pressure will bring a brief improvement. Higher summits sometimes below freezing point S Scotland southwards: snow may accumulate on highest summits. Mostly below freezing Scottish Highlands enabling snow to accumulate widely.

Forecast issued at 7:42 on Monday, 12 January, 2026

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