

Brecon Beacons

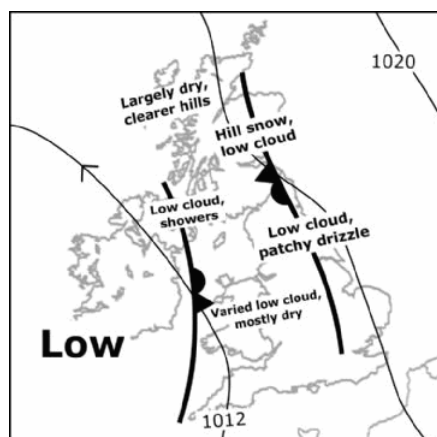
Includes all higher summits in the southern half of Wales: the Bannau Brycheiniog / Brecon Beacons National Park, southern Cambrian Mountains and highest Preseli hills.



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General Summary for Saturday, 17 January, 2026



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 17 January, 2026

A slow-moving area of snowfall in central-eastern Highlands, may be often patchy and light, but risk locally more persistent, low cloud extensive. Clearer northwest coasts of Scotland. Low cloud much of northern England, some early rain and hill snow. Drier for Wales with varied low cloud. Light-moderate SE'ly winds.

Headline for Brecon Beacons

Breezy, gusty spots. Low cloud most persistent south/east.

Detailed Forecast for Saturday, 17 January, 2026

How windy? (On the summits)	Southeasterly 15 to 25mph, but in places gusty up to 30mph around highest tops.
Effect of wind on you?	Varied, in places feeling more blustery, giving marked wind chill in exposure on tops.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Rare drizzle Showers mostly Pembrokeshire, most stay out toward far west or offshore. Some pockets of drizzle around cloud over Brecon Beacons, briefly a light shower.
Cloud on the hills?	Extensive, some breaks west Fairly extensive banks of low cloud from lower slopes upwards in the morning, some slopes between cloud layers for a time. Tending to thin and break a little into the afternoon, breaks best toward western Cambrians.
Chance of cloud free summits?	20%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Mostly overcast, some brighter skies west Wales, where visibility locally good. Rather hazy, misty many hills toward south and east.
How Cold? (at 750m)	2 or 3C. Feeling like -5 to -7C in the strongest wind.
Freezing Level	Above the summits

Brecon Beacons - Looking Ahead

	Sunday 18 January	Monday 19 January
How windy? (On the summits)	Southeasterly 15 to 20mph.	Southeasterly 20mph, gusty 25mph in places around some higher tops, possibly 30mph for periods.
Effect of wind on you?	Fairly small, but expect noticeable chill factor in exposure on tops.	Fairly small, but at times more blustery in exposure, affecting ease of walking. Marked wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Little if any precipitation Feeling damp in the air in low cloud / fog. Some steadier drizzle may develop over eastern hills. Chance of local showers grazing the coast in west Pembrokeshire.	Rain and drizzle Generally damp all day, frequent drizzle, some steadier rain for periods.
Cloud on the hills?	Fairly extensive, some breaks west A cloud sheet likely to cover many hills most or all day from mid-elevations upward. Further west, the cloud base higher and some breaks likely, best toward Cardigan Bay.	Extensive Low cloud shrouding the hills widely, foggy from many mid-slopes upward, some lower elevations furthest south. Local higher breaks possible toward Cardigan Bay.
Chance of cloud free summits?	20%, to 40% furthest west.	10%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Some glimpses of sun mainly toward Cardigan Bay. Otherwise overcast and dull, misty from low-mid slopes upward.	Overcast and dull, poor visibility over hills, hazy lower down.
How Cold? (at 750m)	3C. Feeling like -3C directly in the wind.	4C. Feeling like -5C directly in the wind.
Freezing Level	Above freezing to higher tops.	Above the summits.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Sunday, 18 January, 2026

A slow-moving weather pattern onward into early next week with chilly air in place across the British Isles, mountains staying near to freezing point in Scotland, typically just above freezing to high tops in England and Wales for a few days. Some weak fronts try to push in from the west bringing occasional rain and hill snow, amounts generally small. High pressure around Scandinavia is likely to dominate the patterns into the later stages of January, with colder air trying to push in from the east, much mountain terrain will be frozen. Occasional snow likely, generally driest in the northwest.

Forecast issued at 16:26 on Friday, 16 January, 2026

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