

Brecon Beacons

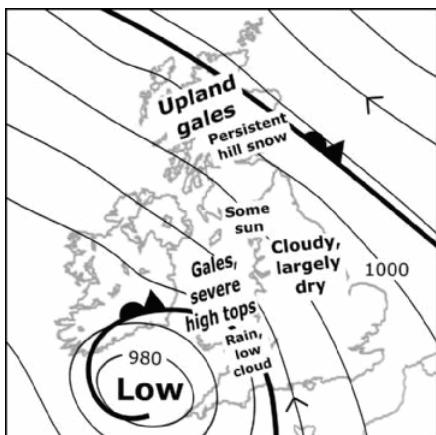
Includes all higher summits in the southern half of Wales: the Bannau Brycheiniog / Brecon Beacons National Park, southern Cambrian Mountains and highest Preseli hills.



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General Summary for Saturday, 24 January, 2026



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 24 January, 2026

Gales widely across high terrain, strongest sustained speeds over Wales. Snowfall continues over east and southeast Scottish Highlands mountains, whiteout on higher terrain; rain lower down. Largely dry and clearer further northwest. Clearer also for the Lake District. Rain frequent in south Wales.

Headline for Brecon Beacons

Gales, severe around high tops. Often raining, some heavy.

Detailed Forecast for Saturday, 24 January, 2026

How windy? (On the summits)	Southeasterly 40 to 60mph, very gusty around high tops and downslope to NW. Starting to lessen a little into night to 30-40mph.
Effect of wind on you?	Challenging conditions; walking and balance difficult in exposed areas, buffeting gusts lower down; significant wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Frequent or persistent rain Rain often falling throughout the day, most continuous over eastern Brecon Beacons NP, some heavier bursts mixed in, possible hail. Patchier toward western Cambrians.
Cloud on the hills?	Fairly extensive Covering the hills fairly widely above 600m, some lower bases on eastern aspects. Local breaks forming higher up west Wales.
Chance of cloud free summits?	20%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Largely cloudy, dull in east. Visibility mostly poor, local improvements further west.
How Cold? (at 750m)	1 or 2C. Directly in the wind feeling like -12 to -15C.
Freezing Level	Above freezing point on higher summits.

Brecon Beacons - Looking Ahead

	Sunday 25 January	Monday 26 January
How windy? (On the summits)	Southeasterly, speed may vary, mostly 20 to 30mph, locally stronger gusts around high tops and downslope to NW.	Southeasterly 30mph at dawn, steadily increasing to a gusty 45mph by dusk, strengthening further after dark.
Effect of wind on you?	Blustery over most high terrain, gustier areas affecting comfortable walking. Marked wind chill in exposure on tops.	Strenuous walking from dawn becomes challenging by dusk with considerable buffeting. Significant wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Frequent or persistent rain Rain on and off most of the day, particularly south and eastern hills, patchier western mid-Wales.	Rain sets in, heavy for a time Mostly dry morning, a few spots of rain/sleet here and there. Rain arrives around midday from the west, spreading widely for several hours with a risk of heavy falls.
Cloud on the hills?	Extensive Covering much of the Brecon Beacons and eastern mid-Wales all day, often to mid-slopes. Higher bases westwards, rare breaks above 600m.	Increasingly widely extensive A layer of cloud blankets the summits and southern slopes to middle altitudes. Best of breaks early in the day on northern slopes and particularly around the Cambrians, more extensive with time as rain sets in.
Chance of cloud free summits?	20%	20%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Largely cloudy, hazy. Poor visibility over most hills.	Sunshine unlikely. Good visibility north at first, turning poor as rain sets in.
How Cold? (at 750m)	1 or 2C. Feeling like -7 to -10C in the wind.	0C, rising a degree with time.
Freezing Level	Just above freezing point on higher summits.	700m from dawn, lifting slightly with time.

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Sunday, 25 January, 2026**

East to southeasterlies continue onward into next week, frequently strong to gale-force over the mountains, giving severe chill factor. Below freezing across high terrain in Scotland, and into early next week a lowering freezing level over hills in England and Wales. Frequent or persistent snowfall over east and southern Scottish mountains. Patchier and small amounts reaching coastal regions in west-northwest Scotland. Areas of rain and increasingly hill snow push across England and Wales as low pressure remains dominant. Low cloud often covering many hills.

Forecast issued at 15:35 on Friday, 23 January, 2026

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