

Brecon Beacons

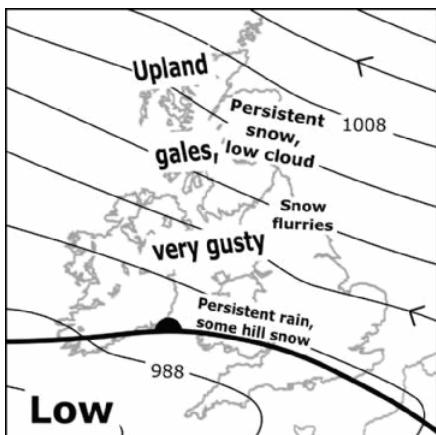
Includes all higher summits in the southern half of Wales: the Bannau Brycheiniog / Brecon Beacons National Park, southern Cambrian Mountains and highest Preseli hills.



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General Summary for Tuesday, 3 February, 2026



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 3 February, 2026

Feeling bitterly cold in gale force easterly winds over the hills. Snow falling to lower slopes, most constant in eastern Scotland with further drifting and whiteout over hills. Snow flurries over the Pennines. Some cloud breaks near west coasts. Rain and increasingly hill snow for Wales, persistent in southeast.

Headline for Brecon Beacons

Windy, gusty. Rain turning more to snow over hills, low cloud.

Detailed Forecast for Tuesday, 3 February, 2026

How windy? (On the summits)	East to southeasterly 25 to 35mph, strongest in morning; gusty in places, locally to some lower slopes in west.
Effect of wind on you?	Blustery, in places more uncomfortable, affecting ease of walking and balance; considerable wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Rain and increasingly hill snow Fairly persistent rain, most constant on eastern hills, falling as sleet or snow on some higher terrain mostly above 600m, increasingly snow above 400m in afternoon. Smaller amounts westward.
Cloud on the hills?	Extensive, lowest east Covering most higher terrain, above 500-600m, or lower some southeastern slopes. Higher bases toward western Cambrians.
Chance of cloud free summits?	10%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Largely overcast, dull. Hazy, poor visibility in rain/snow.
How Cold? (at 750m)	0 or 1C, dropping to -1C. Wind chill feeling like -5 to -8C.
Freezing Level	Just above freezing to most upper slopes, but some eastern areas close to freezing above 600m, tending to lower with time.

Brecon Beacons - Looking Ahead

	Wednesday 4 February	Thursday 5 February
How windy? (On the summits)	South to southeasterly 20 to 30mph, gusty in places. Speeds increasing toward evening, risk 40mph soon after dusk.	Easterly 35 to 45mph, very gusty around tops and locally downslope to west.
Effect of wind on you?	Blustery, in places affecting comfortable walking on exposed high terrain, considerable wind chill.	Walking strenuous, or arduous in places, frequent buffeting knocking you off balance. Significant wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	A little showery rain Overnight rain fades by early morning. Occasional showery rain during day, mostly southern areas.	Rain or snow mostly east Snow flurries, mostly rain below 600m, more frequent over eastern hills, risk becoming more persistent. Patchy small amounts western Cambrians.
Cloud on the hills?	Fairly extensive but improving Covering many hills in the morning, lowest bases in the east, to some mid-slopes. Base tending to lift toward upper slopes during the day, breaks best in west.	Fairly extensive, lowest east Likely to shroud many hills, most persistent above 500-600m Black Mountains and southeast aspects of Brecon Beacons. Higher and more broken cloud westward.
Chance of cloud free summits?	30%	20%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Glimpses of sun may develop, mainly west, best into afternoon. Misty start, visibility becoming good below cloud.	Largely cloudy and hazy, some brighter moments west coast, but little if any sun.
How Cold? (at 750m)	3 or 4C. Wind chill feeling like -5C.	Around 0C, tending to drop slightly from east toward evening. Wind chill feeling like -12 to -15C.
Freezing Level	Above freezing to highest summits.	Close to freezing on some slopes above 700-800m, but variable higher up in west; tending to lower after dark.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Wednesday, 4 February, 2026

East or southeasterly winds prevail, strong to gale force over many hills for sustained periods this week. Freezing levels will vary, rising briefly during Wednesday from the south, but lowering widely again below 600m during Thursday, tending to lift again over England and Wales on Friday, then possibly rising just above freezing point to higher mountains in Scotland during the weekend, before colder air returns again next week. Further snowfalls mostly over eastern hills in Scotland, occasionally hills in England & Wales, mixed with rain here. Indications of less precipitation and lower wind speeds more often by early next week. Highest cloud breaks generally west & northwest Scotland.

Forecast issued at 16:20 on Monday, 2 February, 2026

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