

Brecon Beacons

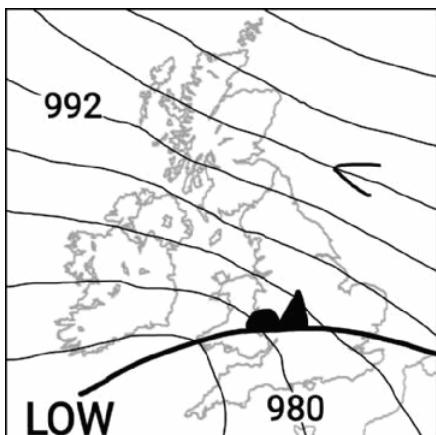
Includes all higher summits in the southern half of Wales: the Bannau Brycheiniog / Brecon Beacons National Park, southern Cambrian Mountains and highest Preseli hills.



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General Summary for Thursday, 5 February, 2026



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 5 February, 2026

Gale-force easterly winds, up to storm-force over the tops of the Highlands with severe wind chill; powerful gusts downslope into the glens. Further snowfalls over E & SE Highlands, sleet or rain lower down; low cloud and whiteout over hills. England and Wales: Rain and upland snow focused east Wales and into Pennines.

Headline for Brecon Beacons

Easterly gales with rain and upland snow persistent in the east. Patchy in the west.

Detailed Forecast for Thursday, 5 February, 2026

How windy? (On the summits)	East to southeasterly 35 to 45mph, tending to lessen with time; very gusty around tops and locally downslope to west.
Effect of wind on you?	Walking strenuous, or arduous in places, frequent buffeting knocking you off balance. Significant wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Rain and snow, persistent east Wales. Periods of rain and upland snow, mostly rain below 600m, frequent or constant for several hours east Wales. Tending to turn to rain to all levels in afternoon. Patchy small amounts western Cambrians.
Cloud on the hills?	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?	20%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Overcast and hazy. Misty and murky with poor if not very poor visibility in precipitation.
How Cold? (at 750m)	0 or 1C, rising slightly with time. Wind chill feeling like -10 to -13C.
Freezing Level	Close to freezing on some slopes above 700-800m, tending to rise above freezing up to most tops.

Brecon Beacons - Looking Ahead

	Friday 6 February	Saturday 7 February
How windy? (On the summits)	East to southeasterly 30 to 40mph, very gusty for a time, may tend to lessen during the daytime.	South-easterly 15 to 30mph
Effect of wind on you?	Challenging conditions for several hours, arduous walking, buffeting gusts knocking you off balance. Significant wind chill.	Likely to become increasingly blustery with gradual increase in speeds through day.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Rain at times Rain or sleet over hills from before dawn, may persist for several hours, but clearing northwards. Occasional showery rain follows from the south.	Increasing risk of showery rain May well be dry for much of the day, but risk of showery bursts of rain moving up from the south. May not be until toward dusk, but risk as early as midday.
Cloud on the hills?	Low cloud tending to lift and break Covering many hills early in day above 400-500m, perhaps lower at first in east. Cloud base rising toward upper slopes above 700m, some breaks forming.	Extensive, down to mid or lower slopes. Extensive low cloud covering the hills, with bases right down to mid if not lower slopes.
Chance of cloud free summits?	20% rising to 50%	10%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Largely cloudy, murky start, but visibility improving to be good at times away from showers, some glimpses of sun.	No sun expected. Rather mist and murky with atmospheric visibility suppressed.
How Cold? (at 750m)	2 or 3C. Wind chill feeling like -8 to -12C.	4C
Freezing Level	Above freezing to highest summits, but possible icy surfaces on some high tops.	Above the summits.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Friday, 6 February, 2026

Cold east or southeasterly winds prevail, but less cold widely over the weekend as freezing level lifts somewhat from the south, rising just above freezing point in Scotland toward 1000m. Colder air then likely returns from east 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 for periods during next week. Highest cloud breaks west & northwest Scotland, where terrain will be very dry toward west coast.

Forecast issued at 7:57 on Thursday, 5 February, 2026

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