

Brecon Beacons

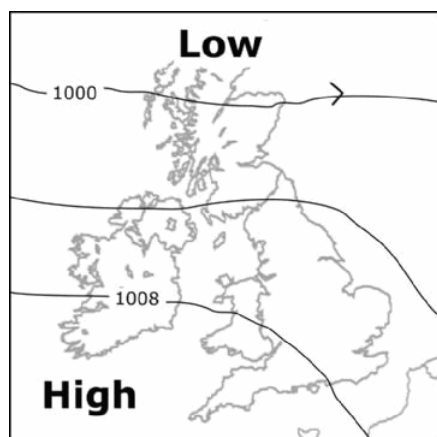
Includes all higher summits in the southern half of Wales: the Bannau Brycheiniog / Brecon Beacons National Park, southern Cambrian Mountains and highest Preseli hills.



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General Summary for Saturday, 14 March, 2026



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 14 March, 2026

Very much less windy, especially England and Wales in afternoon. But still cold day with hail and snow showers, and particularly Wales away from western hills spells of sun. The snow will penetrate to lower slopes in Scotland but be confined above 600m elsewhere.

Headline for Brecon Beacons

Much less windy, particularly afternoon. A few snow showers.

Detailed Forecast for Saturday, 14 March, 2026

How windy? (On the summits)	Westerly, 25mph after dawn to 15 locally 20mph from around.
Effect of wind on you?	Fairly small
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Showers. Occasional showers of hail and above 600m, snow: mostly morning. Very few showers afternoon.
Cloud on the hills?	Little if any by afternoon as cloud base rises. Varied cloud base: sometimes below 450m near precipitation but by late morning nearly all cloud above the hill tops.
Chance of cloud free summits?	90% by midday
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Glimpses of sun, mainly more eastern areas, at first; slowly improving to a patchwork of, or extensive sun. Hazy, and very poor visibility in snow morning; mostly very good or excellent visibility afternoon.
How Cold? (at 750m)	1C; varying by a degree or two as showers come and go. Will feel as cold as minus 12C directly in the wind.
Freezing Level	Close to highest summits.

Brecon Beacons - Looking Ahead

	Sunday 15 March	Monday 16 March
How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	Southwest veering west typically between 40mph, perhaps occasionally 50 or 55mph on highest tops. Continued difficult walking and wind chill significant on exposed higher areas. Expect balance to be tricky.	Westerly; easing from 30-40mph. Considerable wind chill and arduous walking. Balance may well be tricky.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Rain; later clearing to showers Morning: Extensive rain. Middle of day or into afternoon: Clearing from west, but the rain finishing as sleet highest tops. Later: Occasional showers, sleet or snow higher tops	Rain & drizzle frequently. Possibly isolated showers only for a few hours before rain and drizzle becomes widespread, most persistent west Wales, but total rainfall small east Wales, north from Black Mountains.
Cloud on the hills? Chance of cloud free summits?	Hills covered morning; then cloud base rising markedly Morning: Blanket of fog across the hills, breaks to 700m west Wales. Middle of day: Beginning to improve. Into afternoon: Varying cloud base, between occasionally 500m near precipitation and otherwise 750 to 900m. Less than 10% morning; later 70%	Blanket of fog most or all day Fog across most hills much of the day, but for a few hours (mostly morning) in east Wales, higher summits may clear. Otherwise, fog soon at or below 300-400m west Wales and south of the A40 (through Brecon) and by afternoon lowering to 450 to 600m elsewhere. 20%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Dull and misty morning. Then improving to patchy sun (sunniest east Wales) and mostly very good visibility.	Becoming dull and misty from west - possibly very good visibility east Wales preceding the dull weather.
How Cold? (at 750m) Freezing Level	5C dropping to around 1C. Will feel as cold as minus 8C where exposed to the wind. Above the summits morning, then dropping to, or perhaps just below 900m.	1C, rising marginally morning; then to 5C. Will feel as cold as minus 12C due to wind chill. Near highest tops at first, then above the summits.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Sunday, 15 March, 2026

Frequent upland gales until Tuesday - generally strongest Scottish Highlands. Precipitation will continue on most mountains, focussed in the west - lengthy periods of showery weather and occasional swathes of widespread rain. Freeze thaw cycles will continue: on the Scottish Highlands, thaw periods brief and snow widely accumulating. Further south, lying snow mostly confined to higher summits.

There is now high likelihood of an abrupt transition mid-week as pressure builds north of Britain: extensively fine; cloud often clearing, particularly western Britain and temperature levels more varied - fairly warm some afternoons but frost widely at night.

Forecast issued at 12:32 on Friday, 13 March, 2026

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