

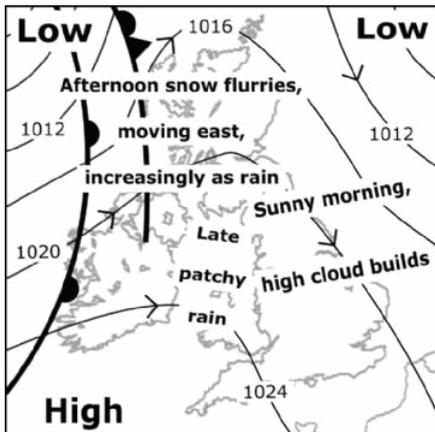
Brecon Beacons

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, 26 March, 2026



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 26 March, 2026

A sunny start, frosty in England and Scotland; freezing levels at middle heights in Wales. Some snow showers north and west Scotland early. High cloud builds from the west; patchy snow and rain arrive afternoon, spread east, and increase in frequency into night. Rain increasingly to higher slopes as temperature rises.

Headline for Brecon Beacons

Dry and bright, high cloud builds, rain west into night

Detailed Forecast for Thursday, 26 March, 2026

<p>How windy? (On the summits)</p> <p>Effect of wind on you?</p>	<p>North-northwesterly 15-25mph early, some gustiness, shifting westerly and easing to 10-20mph. Restrengthening overnight.</p> <p>Fairly small, some early gustiness may be a nuisance on high exposed slopes.</p>
<p>How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)</p>	<p>Little or no precipitation during daylight</p> <p>A few early showers may affect the Cambrians and Preseli hills, but otherwise a dry day. Later afternoon, patchy rain arrives from the west, spreading east into evening; amounts will be very little until later overnight.</p>
<p>Cloud on the hills?</p> <p>Chance of cloud free summits?</p>	<p>Little during daylight, lowering to tops later</p> <p>Ragged patches of cloud at several heights in the morning, most of the cloud on western Cambrians. Cloud begins to lift after sunrise, clearing the hills for a largely cloud-free day. Patchy cloud returns to high tops as evening approaches, spreading into a broader layer and lowering into night.</p> <p>Rising to 90%</p>
<p>Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)</p>	<p>Bright sunshine in the morning, gradually weakened by increasing high cloud. Excellent visibility.</p>
<p>How Cold? (at 750m)</p> <p>Freezing Level</p>	<p>-1 or 0C, may start a degree cooler. Rising to 1C afternoon, then a sharp rise evening into night, as high as 5C for several hours. Feeling like -10 to -12C in early wind.</p> <p>600-700m, some local lower frosts in sheltered areas, particularly east. Gradually lifting, clearing the summits by evening.</p>

Brecon Beacons - Looking Ahead

	Friday 27 March	Saturday 28 March
How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	Westerly 20-30mph, notable gusts over high terrain. A northwesterly shift through afternoon. Walking impeded with buffeting gusts over high terrain, stability briefly challenged in strongest gusts.	West-northwesterly 25 to 40mph, likely strongest in the morning. Likely to strengthen again into night. Very blustery, more strenuous walking with frequent buffeting in exposure at least in morning. Considerable wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Patchy rain, briefly sets in, then breaks Patchy rain in the morning, most often western areas; more widely raining with heavier falls for a few hours after dawn. Rain begins easing through afternoon, drier by evening.	Hail and snow showers Showers most frequent in west from dawn, but extending inland and eastwards, brief hail, snow falling in morning to 300-400m, with time mostly rain below 600m. Fewer and lighter showers afternoon.
Cloud on the hills? Chance of cloud free summits?	Extensive Extensive fog from lower slopes up from dawn, lingering well into the day, bases rising slightly, greatest rise on southern and eastern slopes. Only late in the day will bases rise towards summits, but breaks to tops unlikely during daylight. 10%	Varied mostly over western tops, lifting Patchy cloud capping higher slopes mostly toward the western Cambrians in the morning, lifting increasingly above the tops by middle of the day. 40% rising to 80%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Overcast and dull with poor visibility. Beginning to improve late in the day.	Patchwork of cloud and sun, best in east in morning. Visibility often very good, but reduced at times to briefly very poor in showers.
How Cold? (at 750m) Freezing Level	6C most of the day, may rise to 7C in places. Sharply lowering towards 3C at night falls. Above the summits.	-1C rising to +1 or 2C afternoon. Wind chill feeling like -8 to -12C. 700m in morning, plus frost sheltered inland valleys around dawn, rising just above freezing to tops by middle of day.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Friday, 27 March, 2026

Thursday starts chilly with clear skies for many, snow then rain moves into western areas with time. Strong northwesterly winds prevail as the weekend starts, bringing cooler temperatures and a mix of showers and sun across most areas, the showers likely snowy to middle elevations with some hail mixed in. The cool, spring-like conditions will allow showers to become heavier and more widespread in the afternoon. Sunday into next week sees high pressure southwest of the country, producing drier weather with sun breaks, a trend towards milder temperatures too, but several low pressure systems to the north draw bands of rain eastward, mostly affecting Scotland, occasionally northern England and Wales. A risk of cooler northerly winds re-establishing later in the week, though detail is uncertain.

Forecast issued at 16:19 on Wednesday, 25 March, 2026

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