

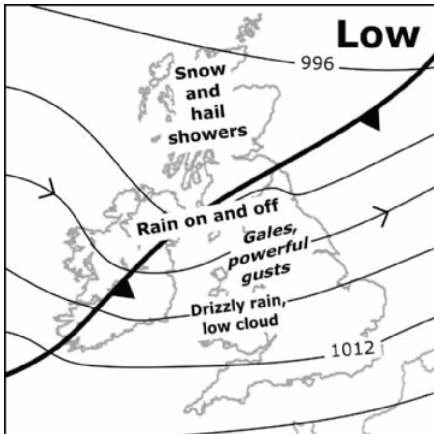
Brecon Beacons

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 Friday, 3 April, 2026



British Mountain Summary:
Based on forecast chart for noon 3 April, 2026

Cold with showery snow in the Highlands, also hail in north. Varied winds, blustery in northern Scotland, moderating for a time central Highlands. In England & Wales, a swathe of gales likely affects the mountains, but still some uncertainty about the northward extent; rain and drizzle, plus low cloud covering many hills.

Headline for Brecon Beacons

Gales likely over mountains. Drizzly rain, low cloud.

Detailed Forecast for Friday, 3 April, 2026

<p>How windy? (On the summits)</p> <p>Effect of wind on you?</p>	<p>Southwesterly, after overnight gales, a possible brief lull around dawn to 25mph or less, but likely to rapidly increase again to 50mph in morning, risk powerful gusts 60mph near high tops, elevated passes and locally downslope to east. Lessening only</p> <p>Likely deteriorating soon to arduous walking conditions, making balance challenging, buffeting gusts could knock you off your feet in exposed spots. Considerable wind chill.</p>
<p>How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)</p>	<p>Patchy rain and drizzle</p> <p>In fog on high hills, fine drizzle drifts around in the wind, occasional patches of light rain. Intermittently dry by afternoon, but some patchy rain or brief light showers likely come and go.</p>
<p>Cloud on the hills?</p> <p>Chance of cloud free summits?</p>	<p>Extensive, may break a little</p> <p>Covering the hills widely in the morning, blanket cloud to mid elevations or some lower slopes toward south and west for a few hours. Tending to rise a little, some breaks may form above 600m during the afternoon.</p> <p>20%</p>
<p>Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)</p>	<p>A few glimpses of sun to the east where visibility good, but otherwise overcast and dull.</p>
<p>How Cold? (at 750m)</p> <p>Freezing Level</p>	<p>5C rising to 7C. Feeling as cold as -8C in strongest wind.</p> <p>Above the summits</p>

Brecon Beacons - Looking Ahead

	Saturday 4 April	Sunday 5 April
How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	Southerly, strengthening from dawn, soon 30-40mph, up to 50mph middle of day, likely 60mph+ afternoon. Soon deteriorating, walking becoming challenging, increasingly difficult over the mountains.	Westerly 30-35mph from dawn, easing gradually to 20-25mph afternoon. Blustery over the hills, affecting comfortable walking in exposure, but improving. Considerable wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Drizzly rain Patchy rain, persistent for a time in west, leaving drizzly conditions over the hills, may fade out, particularly in east, but feeling generally damp where in cloud. By evening, heavier rain for a time. Into night, hail showers.	Showers with hail, some snow A scattering of showers, most widespread into afternoon, some briefly heavy with hail, some snow mixed in over higher tops mostly above 600m by noon.
Cloud on the hills?	Extensive, rising afternoon Lowest and most extensive in the morning, from lower elevations up in south and west for a few hours. Then up to 600m or above into afternoon, breaks forming toward east and mid-Wales. Western tops likely stay covered.	Varying, breaks above tops Patchy cloud drifting over higher slopes, most often in western areas around 700m, briefly lower in showers. More often clearing eastwards.
Chance of cloud free summits?	10% rising to 50% in east afternoon.	60%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Overcast and murky morning, visibility widely poor. Some improvement with time, though western hills likely stay misty; good visibility below cloud inland and east.	Bursts of bright sunshine and very good visibility, but briefly very poor in showers.
How Cold? (at 750m) Freezing Level	4C rising to 7C, then lowering later, to 2C after dark. Feeling like -7C as wind strengthens. Above the summits.	-2C rising to +1C. Feeling like -7 to -10C in the wind. 600m from dawn, rising just above highest summits afternoon.

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Saturday, 4 April, 2026**

A storm system moves across Britain over the Easter weekend, bringing severe conditions increasingly widely - severe gales over the mountains advancing northwards into Scotland by later Saturday daytime. Rain and hill snow also sweeps northward - a substantial snowfall develops particularly in northern Scotland later Saturday. Colder for all by Sunday with all mountains sub-zero, above 600-700m in Scotland, 800m in England and Wales - hail and snow showers with gales bringing severe chill factor. Milder southerlies develop for Monday, dry for most, but risk of gales especially in the west. A changeable weather regime is expected to continue next week, possibly turning chillier again later in the week.

Forecast issued at 15:45 on Thursday, 2 April, 2026

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