

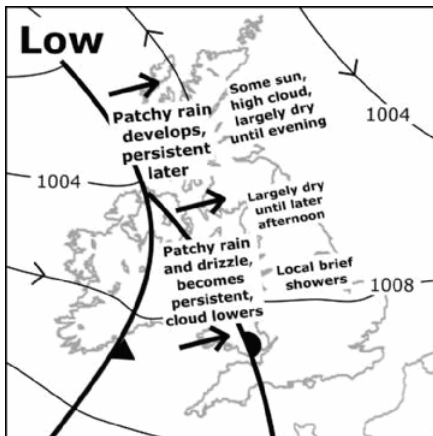
# Brecon Beacons

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, 16 May, 2026



### British Mountain Summary: Based on forecast chart for noon 16 May, 2026

Chilly but fine with light winds much of the day for the Highlands. Increasing wind, rain and lowering cloud encroaches onto western coasts later in daytime. Southwesterly breezes elsewhere, largely dry until late for northern England, but rain, drizzle and low cloud moves into Wales sooner, more blustery later.

### Headline for Brecon Beacons

Patchy rain becomes persistent, cloud lowers, increasing wind.

## Detailed Forecast for Saturday, 16 May, 2026

<b>How windy? (On the summits)</b>	Westerly 20mph at dawn, easing to 15mph for a time in morning. Turning southwesterly, rising gradually toward 25mph, later afternoon into evening reaching gusty 30mph; turning west-northwesterly by dusk.
<b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	<b>Fairly small in morning, but feeling cool as breeze freshens, more noticeable later, gusts start to affect balance where exposed.</b>
<b>How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)</b>	<b>Rain develops, becoming persistent, some heavier rain later</b> Largely dry early in day, odd brief light showers passing eastwards. Patchy rain and drizzle moving in from west increasingly through middle of day, becoming more persistent afternoon, extending further eastward. Some heavier rain for a time later in day. Then showery rain into late evening and night.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>Mostly little, then lowering in rain, most extensive in west</b> Patchy cloud on western tops in morning, otherwise largely clear for a few hours toward eastern hills. As rain develops, cloud tending to fill in with time over all higher slopes, to mid-slopes or lower over hills toward southwest of Brecon.
<b>Chance of cloud free summits?</b>	<b>80% dropping to 20% afternoon</b>
<b>Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)</b>	Any early weak sun gives way to overcast skies. Visibility starts very good, reducing as rain develops, poorer over hills afternoon.
<b>How Cold? (at 750m)</b>	2C rising to 5C afternoon. Feeling near to -5C where exposed to stronger wind.
<b>Freezing Level</b>	Close to freezing on highest summits and inland valleys at dawn. Rising further above freezing to tops.

## Brecon Beacons - Looking Ahead

	Sunday 17 May	Monday 18 May
<b>How windy? (On the summits)</b> <b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	West turning southwesterly increasing from 20mph to 30mph during the day, risk stronger gusts later. <b>Becoming more blustery, may start to affect ease of walking on exposed terrain with noticeable chill.</b>	South-southwesterly 15-20mph, but likely stronger up to dawn. Increasing afternoon to 30mph, later risk 40mph+. <b>Fairly small part of day, but breezy on tops, becoming increasingly blustery, affecting comfortable walking, worsening later.</b>
<b>How wet?</b> (Precipitation and its impact)	<b>Showers develop</b> A little rain toward west coast early morning, odd showers then develop inland during morning. Heavier showers form middle of day onward, passing eastward in local bands, risk hail & thunder. Tending to clear into evening.	<b>Local showers, rain likely later in day</b> Patchy rain and odd showery bursts possible in morning, likely to fade or clear away eastwards middle of day. Odd spots as high cloud thickens, then from late afternoon steadier rain develops quickly from southwest.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>Patches in morning and in showers</b>  Patchy cloud around west and southern hills in the morning. Mostly lifting to tops or above, briefly lowering with ragged patches around showers.	<b>Lifting and clearing; lowering later</b>  Varied cloud banks around hills in morning, particularly south and west areas. Lifting higher, clearing tops and increasingly breaking up into middle of day. However, later in rain, lowering back over hills.
<b>Chance of cloud free summits?</b>	<b>50% rising to 80%</b>	<b>40% rising to 80%; lowering later.</b>
<b>Sunshine?</b> Air clarity (below cloud)	Largely cloudy with occasional sun, then becoming sunnier near to coast later afternoon onward. Visibility very good, but reduced in showers.	Variable cloud, glimpses of sun, high cloud tends to build to cover the sky afternoon, increasingly overcast. Visibility very good, reducing rain.
<b>How Cold? (at 750m)</b>  <b>Freezing Level</b>	4C rising to 6C. Feeling sub-zero as wind increases.  Above the summits.	3C rising to 6C. If exposed to increasing wind later, feeling nearer -5C, or colder toward dusk.  Above the summits.

## Planning Outlook

### All mountain areas of Britain from Sunday, 17 May, 2026

A mixed but milder outlook. Showery bursts of rain Sunday and Monday, passing eastwards during the daytimes, generally improving afternoons in western areas. By later Monday, strengthening southerly winds and rain moving into Wales from the southwest. Damp south-southwesterlies then prevail for a few days next week, with rain at times Tuesday and Wednesday, most on western hills, particularly Scotland. A drier and much warmer theme later in the week as higher pressure builds.

### Forecast issued at 16:28 on Friday, 15 May, 2026

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