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Eryri / Snowdonia National Park

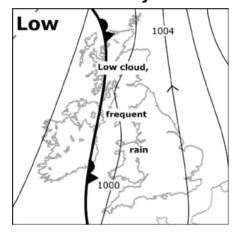
Includes all summits in the the northern half of Wales from Pumlumon northwards.





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General Summary for Wednesday, 16 October, 2024



British Mountain Summary: Based on forecast chart for noon 16 October, 2024

Gale force southerly winds, very gusty over the mountains, lessening from the west. Generally wet with low cloud across all regions, but northwestern Scotland seeing smallest amounts of rain, locally dry for periods. Some heavier periods of rain extending northwards over England, Wales & southern Scotland.

Headline for Eryri / Snowdonia National Park

Upland gales easing. Rain and low cloud.

Detailed Forecast for Wednesday, 16 October, 2024

How windy? (On the summits)	South later southwesterly; tending to ease through day, from 35 to 45mph after dawn into morning, toward 20-25mph by afternoon, or less by dusk. Very gusty, but lessening with time.		
Effect of wind on you?	Considerable buffeting and wind chill where exposed in the morning. Sudden powerful gusts, sometimes on lower slopes. Improving gradually during day.		
How wet?	Raining most or all day		
(Precipitation and its impact)	Frequently raining, heavy for periods, including before dawn. Occasional gaps in the rain mainly toward northernmost hills. Very wet underfoot, streams rising to be in spate.		
Cloud on the hills?	Mountains persistently cloud covered		
	Cloud base widely between 400m and 600m. Toward and north of A5 (Tryfan and Carneddau), most cloud above 750m, sometimes 900m, whilst from Lleyn peninsula to Snowdon, cloud sometimes from coastal cliffs up.		
Chance of cloud free summits?	10%		
Sunshine?	Rare sunshine coming through in valleys.		
Air clarity (below cloud)	Frequently misty as visibility reduced by rain.		
How Cold? (at 900m)	12C. Will feel close to freezing point directly in the wind.		
Freezing Level	Above the summits.		

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Eryri / Snowdonia National Park - Looking Ahead

	Thursday 17 October	Friday 18 October	
How windy? (On the summits)	South to southwesterly, 20 to 25mph, gusts strengthening over 30mph around higher summits.	South to southwesterly, starting 35mph and deteriorating, becoming 45-55mph on tops.	
Effect of wind on you?	Fairly small some slopes, but tending to increasingly affect balance on exposed higher ridges, buffeting gusts in places.	Difficult conditions, becoming severe, walking hardly possible on exposed paths. High wind chill factor.	
How wet?	Occasional light showers west	Dry start, persistent rain afternoon	
(Precipitation and its impact)	Pockets of drizzle around west coastal hills, perhaps brief light showers, particularly later afternoon onward. Substantially dry north and east of Ogwen valley.	Likely dry morning, rain moving in around noon, firstly on Llyn Peninsula. Rain becoming persistent in all areas and increasingly heavy toward the evening.	
Cloud on the hills?	Low cloud/fog, may linger coastal hills	Mostly extensive, deteriorating	
	Varied banks of low cloud, plus fog in some valleys from dawn - some tops may start above/between fog banks. Cloud likely to persist on coastal hills, whilst better breaks exist Carneddau to Berwyn areas.	Most of the day hills shrouded by extensive cloud. Some breaks most likely toward Carneddau in the morning. In the afternoon cloud becoming very extensive everywhere.	
Chance of cloud free summits?	10% near Cardigan Bay; 40% N/E.	20%	
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Sunshine most frequent north and eastern areas where visibility very good out of cloud. Coastal hills may stay persistently misty.	Glimpses of sun toward Carneddau and east Wales in the morning, becoming overcast and dull, poor visibility on the hills.	
How Cold? (at 900m)	7 to 9C.	7 to 10C, warmer toward evening, but strong winds make it feel below freezing.	
Freezing Level	Above the summits	Above the summits.	

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Thursday, 17 October, 2024

South to southwesterly winds will prevail over the next week or more, bringing mild or very mild temperatures, but an unsettled outlook with periods of rain, heavy at times. Temperatures will stay above freezing to higher tops, so recent snow cover will all thaw. Generally least rain toward north-northwest Scotland (north of about Torridon). Thursday is drier for many places. Rain on and off onward into the weekend. Frequently windy on the hills - Friday and then Sunday likely to be the windiest days during the week ahead - reaching storm-force winds on higher mountains. Next week, higher pressure may expand over England and Wales at least for periods.

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