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Eryri / Snowdonia National Park

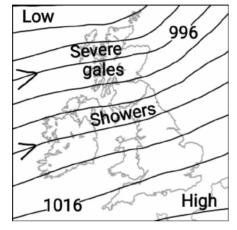
Includes all summits in the the northern half of Wales from Pumlumon northwards.





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General Summary for Friday, 19 December, 2025



British Mountain Summary: Based on forecast chart for noon 19 December, 2025

Southwesterly gales, severe across the Highlands, giving significant wind chill and showers. Showers frequent western Scotland, with snow falling down to 800m with hail and risk lightning. Scattered showers for England and Wales where hill fog confined to western tops.

Headline for Eryri / Snowdonia National Park

Widespread gales with scattered showers and feeling cold. Sun best in the east.

Detailed Forecast for Friday, 19 December, 2025

How windy? (On the summits)	Southwesterly 35 to 50mph, strongest northern tops in the morning, tending to lessen a little during day.	
Effect of wind on you?	Arduous conditions over higher mountains, frequent buffeting in exposure in morning. Significant wind chill.	
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Occasional showers with hail Passing showers mostly morning, with hail briefly, falling as snow above 800m. Fading to be brief or rare afternoon.	
Cloud on the hills?	Mostly high tops with breaks Varying cloud bases, but often capping high tops above 800m in morning, some breaks more often afternoon. Clearer well inland and east Wales much of day.	
Chance of cloud free summits?	50%	
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Bursts of sun, most frequent east. Visibility mostly very good.	
How Cold? (at 900m)	0 to 2C. Feeling like -12C directly in the wind.	
Freezing Level	900 to 1000m, rising slightly just above tops later or after dark.	

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Eryri / Snowdonia National Park - Looking Ahead

	Saturday 20 December	Sunday 21 December	
How windy? (On the summits)	South to south-easterly 30 to 50mph, risk 60mph western hills at times.	Easterly 25 to 40mph	
Effect of wind on you?	Walking arduous, or near west coast difficult, with a very turbulent airflow. Significant wind chill and buffeting.	Very blustery, gusty winds, with sudden, strong gusts running downslope from ridges and passes. Significant wind chill.	
How wet?	Patchy rain, becoming persistent from west.Rain may become heavier and persistent		
(Precipitation and its impact)	Patches of rain or drizzle here and there, may well become increasingly persistent from the west coast as front edges in. Very little in east and hills north of the A5.	Patches of rain or drizzle at first, but through the day a batch of heavier and more persistent rain may well spread up from the south.	
Cloud on the hills?	Extensive	Widespread, especially in rain	
	Cloud covering hills extensively, especially as rain moves in. Bases around 500-800m, lowest west coast. Higher bases at times north of the A5.	Hill fog will very likely be extensive across the hills through the day. Best of any breaks will be toward the west coast.	
Chance of cloud free summits?	30%	20%	
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Very likely overcast.	Extensively dull.	
	Visibility good at times, but poor in rain.	Visibility perhaps good at times, but marked haze and poor when in rain.	
How Cold? (at 900m)	2 or 3C	Around 2 or 3C	
Freezing Level	Above the summits	Above the summits	

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Saturday, 20 December, 2025

A switch to east-southeasterly winds by Sunday into early next week, some residual rain and high-level snow, but a drier and colder theme develops into the Christmas period and perhaps into the New Year, as high pressure builds to the north and northeast. An extensive cloud sheet will likely come in from the North Sea over many days with light snow showers or flurries likely, rain to lower slopes, but many areas dry. Best breaks in the west.

Forecast issued at 16:26 on Thursday, 18 December, 2025

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