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Eryri / Snowdonia National Park

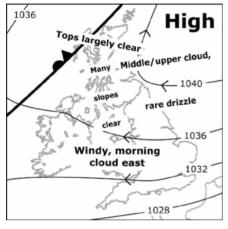
Includes all summits in the the northern half of Wales from Pumlumon northwards.





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General Summary for Wednesday, 24 December, 2025



British Mountain Summary: Based on forecast chart for noon 24 December, 2025

Patchy cloud on middle and high slopes of central and east Scottish Highlands, clearer west and north; high summits clear too. Most cloud in England stays east of the Pennines, little west including Lakeland where isolated to summits. Gusty wind in Wales, risk gales south; early cloud in the east will break.

Headline for Eryri / Snowdonia National Park

Windy, strong downslope gusts, morning cloud east will break

Detailed Forecast for Wednesday, 24 December, 2025

How windy? (On the summits)	A gusty easterly, 30-35mph, some downslope gusts to the west may be quite strong, particularly south of Snowdonia NP.		
Effect of wind on you?	Strenuous walking with considerable buffeting in exposure. Expect stability challenges and significant wind chill.		
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	No precipitation expected		
Cloud on the hills?	Early cloud high tops and east, improving		
	Early cloud in east Wales above 600-700m, these banks likely pushing up towards the high summits of Snowdonia NP though these may be just near the tops of the cloud layer. Slopes west of high summits will be largely clear, increasingly clear east.		
Chance of cloud free summits?	30% rising to 70%		
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Patchy sunshine to the east at first, increasingly widespread. A haze at first but visibility improving to very good.		
How Cold? (at 900m)	-1C or cooler in the morning, several degrees warmer western slopes, locally up to 3C where in sun, but trending cooler here as well. Feeling like -13C in direct wind.		
Freezing Level	Poorly defined: 600-700m, though milder downslope wind west of the high tops will reduce freezing potential here. The very highest tops may be above freezing too.		

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Eryri / Snowdonia National Park - Looking Ahead

	Thursday 25 December	Friday 26 December
How windy? (On the summits)	Easterly 35mph from dawn, rising to largely 45mph with powerful gusts on high terrain and downslope to the west.	Easterly 25 to 40mph, stronger gusts around some tops and high passes; locally also gusty downslope west of high tops.
Effect of wind on you?	Strenuous walking becoming arduous in exposure with considerable buffeting. Severe wind chill.	Strenuous walking with considerable wind chill in exposure over high terrain, in places buffeting gusts affecting balance.
How wet?	No rain expected	Precipitation rare if any
(Precipitation and its impact)		Chance of brief snow grains or light rain spots lower down, mainly toward east.
Cloud on the hills?	Mostly high terrain east Wales	Risk often capping tops north/east
	Banks of cloud on the middle and upper slopes of east Wales with a breaking trend as the day goes, most persistent Carneddau to Berwyn; highest tops in Snowdonia NP may be above the cloud layer. Westernmost slopes likely stay clear.	Patchy cloud mostly above 700-800m, most common onto tops from Carneddau group around to Bala, may persist locally. More often clear hills toward west coast.
Chance of cloud free summits?	50%	70%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Patchy sunshine in east Wales, more extensive westernmost slopes. Excellent visibility, some early haze.	Mix of cloud and sun, best in west, often sunny near to Cardigan Bay. Visibility good, though some haze likely.
How Cold? (at 900m)	-3C early, rising slightly; always at least a few degrees warmer westernmost slopes. Feeling as cold as -15C in direct wind.	0 or -1C, small variation with height. Feeling like -10 to -15C directly in the wind.
Freezing Level	Around 300-400m east, some valley frost early; poorly defined west due to milder downslope wind.	Near freezing all elevations from dawn, staying mostly sub-zero above 600m, but above freezing some western slopes.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Thursday, 25 December, 2025

Christmas Day will be dry: easterly winds are dominant, strongest in England and Wales and most cloud east of the high tops: may be fairly sheet-like sometimes, though variably more extensive or broken, best of sun breaks in western areas. Turning cooler too, the coldest air in England and Wales with freezing levels reaching as low as 300-600m in east Wales, though poorly defined.

High pressure stays put to the north into the weekend, maintaining dry weather, easterly winds, and mixed cloud and sunshine, most of the cloud in eastern areas. Temperatures will be variable, becoming milder for a time in England and Wales, with poorly defined freezing levels.

Forecast issued at 15:44 on Tuesday, 23 December, 2025

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