

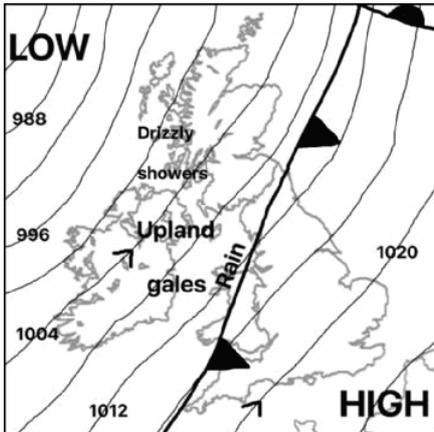
Brecon Beacons

Also includes all higher summits in southern half of Wales.



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General Summary for Tuesday, 17 April, 2018



British Mountain Summary:
Based on forecast chart for noon 17 April, 2018

A windy day across all areas with widespread upland southerly gales. A cold front, and its associated rain, will edge southeastwards; becoming slow-moving across England and Wales into the afternoon. Drizzly showers will follow across Scotland; these mainly in the west and southwest where hill fog will remain fairly extensive.

Headline for Brecon Beacons

Widespread upland gales and hill fog. Rain edging eastwards.

Detailed Forecast for Tuesday, 17 April, 2018

How windy? (On the summits)	South or southwesterly in the range 40 to 50mph, strongest in the morning when locally 60mph higher tops.
Effect of wind on you?	Walking widely difficult where exposed on higher areas. Significant wind chill.
How wet?	Rain most persistent south & west Most likely rain on and off, but risk incessant for several hours hills south from Brecon, although very little at all Black Mountains north into mid-Wales.
Cloud on the hills?	Almost blanket fog south Wales Fog extensive; widely from lower slopes up areas south of Brecon. Elsewhere, breaks above 500 to perhaps 700m, although easternmost areas north from the Black Mountains could stay cloud free.
Chance of cloud free summits?	30%
Sunshine and air clarity?	Glimpses of sun confined to east Wales. Often good visibility, although a haze.
How Cold? (at 750m)	6C
Freezing Level	Above the summits

Brecon Beacons - Looking Ahead

	Wednesday 18 April	Thursday 19 April
How windy? (On the summits)	South to southeasterly, 20 to 30mph, may strengthen later.	Southwest 10-15mph at dawn; soon becoming light and variable.
Effect of wind on you?	Fairly small, but possible buffeting on some tops.	Soon becoming negligible
How wet?	Rain not expected	No precipitation expected
Cloud on the hills?	Low cloud likely to all clear Low confidence of detail: Threat of fog from lower slopes in morning, should mostly break up and clear. A chance that hills south of Brecon may hold onto low cloud for longer.	Foggy coastal slopes; clearing elsewhere Areas of very low cloud, down to almost the valley floors, will affect coastal hills at times through the day. Further inland, some patches of low cloud and valley fog from dawn will break up to leave most hill clear of cloud by the afternoon.
Chance of cloud free summits?	60%	30% near coast, 60% elsewhere.
Sunshine and air clarity?	Sunshine should come through increasingly. Risk murky for a time, but visibility generally improving.	Sunshine increasingly breaking through. Visibility generally good or very good, but very poor in low cloud coastal areas.
How Cold? (at 750m)	8 rising to 12C.	9 or 10C
Freezing Level	Above the summits	Well above the summits

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Wednesday, 18 April, 2018**

Southerly winds throughout the week, initially gale force on many mountains. A front moves in from the Atlantic to bring a period of rain on Tuesday, but this will fade. A legacy of low cloud may plague coastal hills in the west, otherwise an increasingly warm and sunny picture will develop by midweek. Although foggy at times across western coastal areas. High pressure should remain broadly in charge into the weekend, although some heavy showers may arrive by Sunday. Considerable snowmelt Scottish Highlands (albeit snow cover still extensive in many areas next weekend).

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