

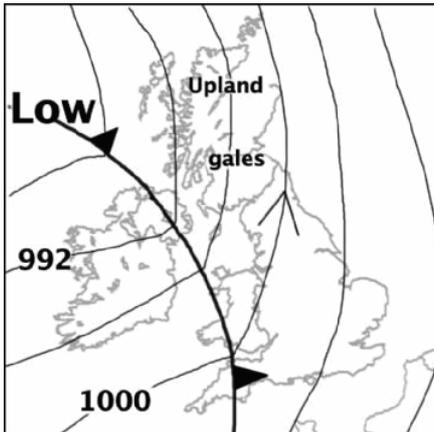
Brecon Beacons

Also includes all higher summits in southern half of Wales.



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General Summary for Thursday, 11 October, 2018



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 11 October, 2018

Pulses of rain will move northeastwards; although most mountain areas will be dry for much of the day. Cloud base will vary considerably, both through the day and region by region. The resulting fog will be most persistent SE Highlands.

Headline for Brecon Beacons

Upland gales. Occasional rain; fog intermittently higher areas.

Detailed Forecast for Thursday, 11 October, 2018

How windy? (On the summits)	South later southwesterly, 35 increasing to 45mph morning. Will then early afternoon ease to 20-25mph.
Effect of wind on you?	Arduous walking widely, but often difficult where exposed, mainly on higher areas. Becoming fairly small into the afternoon.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Rain temporarily, largely clearing afternoon Bursts of rain spreading from the southwest mid to late morning, frequent and briefly heavy over a couple of hours. Then largely dry, although a few pockets of drizzle on summits broadly south of Brecon.
Cloud on the hills?	Summits intermittently cloud free, but patches after dawn and in rain Expect marked variation in cloud base; After dawn, patches on lower slopes, particularly east Wales. Otherwise, during and after rain, fog widely above 550m. During dry periods, cloud will lift to or above higher summits.
Chance of cloud free summits?	60%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Occasional sun, but skies often cloudy. Visibility often very good, most pronounced haze will be on lower slopes morning.
How Cold? (at 750m)	10C, dropping in afternoon to 7C.
Freezing Level	Above the summits.

Brecon Beacons - Looking Ahead

	Friday 12 October	Saturday 13 October
How windy? (On the summits)	Southerly, in the range 60 to 75mph, perhaps dropping a little for a few hours.	Southerly, 45 to 55mph, although speeds may drop from west afternoon.
Effect of wind on you?	Very difficult conditions on higher terrain. Considerable buffeting from low levels up. Significant wind chill.	Difficult walking conditions where exposed on higher areas.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Rain frequent or persistent Detail uncertain: A sequence of wet - dry - wet - dry through the day as bands of rain move quickly northwards. The rain may well be heavy, perhaps torrential, and may set in during the afternoon.	Rain: widely heavy, may be incessant Rain, often heavy, in some areas torrential, most or all day. Streams and rivers will have risen to be in spate. Anticipate flooding; very wet underfoot.
Cloud on the hills?	Extensive Often shrouding higher areas, at times extensive to low levels, but occasional breaks possible to higher tops, focused toward Black Mountains.	Hills in constant fog Fog will shroud the hills, widely from lower slopes up. May begin to improve afternoon.
Chance of cloud free summits?	20%	10%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Rare if any glimpses of sun. A general haze, but visibility occasionally good east Wales.	Sunshine unlikely. Widely poor visibility in rain.
How Cold? (at 750m)	Around 10C.	11C
Freezing Level	Above the summits.	Above the summits.

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Friday, 12 October, 2018**

Rain and upland gales will be frequent across the mountains over the next 10 days (winds widely storm force on Friday). Most rain will be on western mountains.

However, overall drier and less windy on Sunday and Monday, but still showers, mainly on western mountains. In Scotland, on the Munros, the precipitation will be of hail and snow.

Forecast issued at 7:23 on Thursday, 11 October, 2018

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