

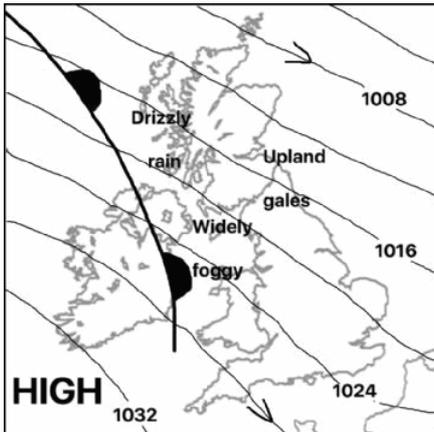
Brecon Beacons

Also includes all higher summits in southern half of Wales.



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General Summary for Saturday, 12 January, 2019



British Mountain Summary:
Based on forecast chart for noon 12 January, 2019

A windy day across all hills with strong to gale force westerly winds resulting in significant chill. Extensive low cloud across many hills, highest bases and best breaks across eastern areas. Patches of drizzly rain; these frequent and later heavy across western Scotland.

Headline for Brecon Beacons

Windy, drizzly showers; mainly west. Fairly extensive hill fog.

Detailed Forecast for Saturday, 12 January, 2019

How windy? (On the summits)	Westerly 30 to 40mph
Effect of wind on you?	Walking arduous or perhaps difficult, and wind chill significant, where exposed on higher areas.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Drizzly showers, mainly in west Drizzly showers, mostly west Wales. Eastern mountains, including Brecon Beacons and Black Mountains will have drizzle only occasionally.
Cloud on the hills?	Extensive much of region Extensive low cloud will shroud the hills. Through the morning, bases generally around 500-800m; highest in east Wales where some breaks will occur. However, in the afternoon, bases will lower to around 200-500m, lowest toward west coast.
Chance of cloud free summits?	20%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Glimpses of sun here and there eastern valleys. Visibility intermittently reduced by rain.
How Cold? (at 750m)	5C, but down to 3C for a few hours middle of the day. Feeling closer to -7C in direct exposure to the wind.
Freezing Level	Above the summits

Brecon Beacons - Looking Ahead

	Sunday 13 January	Monday 14 January
How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	West to northwest, 35 to 45mph, risk 55mph for a few hours. Walking arduous or at times difficult across higher areas with significant wind chill.	Low confidence in detail of forecast: Northwesterly 15-25mph, but risk 30mph around dawn. May impede walking across higher areas for a time around dawn with marked wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Isolated rain/showers A few isolated patches of drizzle across western hills in the morning, these will tend to clear to leave the odd shower in the afternoon.	Largely dry Substantially, or completely, dry through the day.
Cloud on the hills? Chance of cloud free summits?	Extensive, lifting to higher slopes. Extensive low cloud from dawn, fairly widely down to lower slopes in the west. Will tend to lift and break into the afternoon, and become confined above 700-900m. 40%	Mostly very little A few patches will come and go across the highest tops, mainly in the morning. Towards dusk, risk of blanket of cloud shrouding western hills above 700-800m. 60%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	A few glimpses of the sun, mainly across eastern areas. Visibility mainly good or very good outside precipitation.	Occasional sunshine, becoming cloudier later. Visibility very good or excellent.
How Cold? (at 750m) Freezing Level	4 or 5C Above the summits.	0C lifting to 3C Around 800m, soon lifting above the summits.

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Sunday, 13 January, 2019**

A gradual change into next week as a broad band of generally westerly winds becomes established. Precipitation will fall, mainly on western mountains, as fronts come through and upland gales will be frequent, particularly Scottish Highlands. Temperature wise, a more typical range with freeze thaw cycles on the Scottish Highlands, allowing some accumulation of snow on the Munros. Elsewhere, higher summits occasionally below freezing point, but lying snow, if any, transient.

Forecast issued at 15:53 on Friday, 11 January, 2019

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