

Brecon Beacons

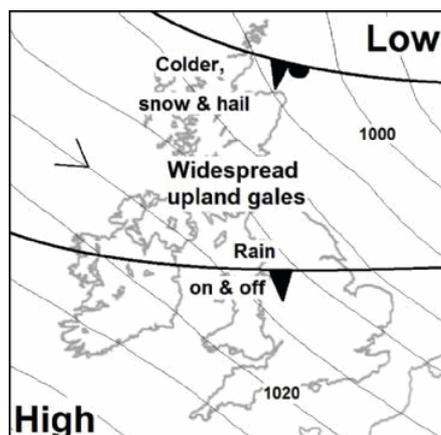
Also includes all higher summits in southern half of Wales.



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General Summary for Sunday, 13 January, 2019



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 13 January, 2019

A cold front edges southwards, producing rain for hills of England and Wales. Colder air follows, sub-zero on Scottish Munros, coldest toward the north. Snow or hail focused toward the N & W of the Highlands, frequent precipitation in places. Winds widely gale force on hills.

Headline for Brecon Beacons

Upland gales. Patchy rain, low cloud much of day.

Detailed Forecast for Sunday, 13 January, 2019

How windy? (On the summits)	West to northwesterly, 35 to 45mph, risk 55mph for a few hours middle of day.
Effect of wind on you?	Walking arduous or at times difficult across higher areas with significant wind chill. Gusty in places to lower slopes.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Occasional rain or drizzle A few isolated patches of drizzle across western hills in the morning, becoming fairly persistent for a few hours in middle of day on western hills, fading toward evening.
Cloud on the hills?	Extensive, lifting slowly to higher slopes. Extensive low cloud from dawn, fairly widely down to lower slopes in the west. Will tend to lift and break during the afternoon, and become confined above 650-800m, but unlikely to fully clear.
Chance of cloud free summits?	20% rising to 40%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Rare if any sun, mostly eastern areas. Visibility mainly good or very good outside precipitation, but likely reduced over an hour or more.
How Cold? (at 750m)	4 or 5C. Due to wind chill, feeling close to -10C.
Freezing Level	Above the summits.

Brecon Beacons - Looking Ahead

	Monday 14 January	Tuesday 15 January
How windy? (On the summits)	Northwesterly 15-25mph, but risk 30mph around dawn.	Southwesterly, 25 to 35mph.
Effect of wind on you?	Ease of walking impeded on higher areas, and particularly early morning significant wind chill where exposed.	Walking impeded, risk of buffeting on higher terrain; noticeable wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Largely dry Substantially or completely dry through the day.	Drizzly west Drizzly rain from time to time, focused hills nearest west coast. Some areas often damp, but rainfall totals small.
Cloud on the hills?	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.	Extensive higher areas Covering higher areas much of the day above 650-800m, at times patches may form to lower slopes near Irish Sea. Some breaks to higher levels toward Black Mountains.
Chance of cloud free summits?	60%	40%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Occasional sunshine, becoming cloudier later. Visibility very good or excellent.	Glimpses of sun mostly east Wales, where visibility mostly good. A general slight haze west, and visibility reduced at times by drizzle.
How Cold? (at 750m)	0C lifting to 2C, then rising further overnight to 4C.	4 or 5C.
Freezing Level	Around 800m at first (plus frost some valleys post-dawn), lifting above the summits.	Above the summits.

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Monday, 14 January, 2019**

Changeable westerlies early in the new week, with cycles of freeze and thaw on the mountains. Precipitation frequent on western hills, with extensive low cloud. Very wet in W/NW Scotland on Tuesday, plus gales on many mountains.

A cold front passes southwards on Wednesday, and freezing levels will drop markedly. Showers of snow or hail to increasingly low levels Weds-Thurs. A complicated picture toward next weekend as low pressure drifts across the country, with a mix of snow and rain likely. The further outlook favours generally cold conditions becoming established.

Forecast issued at 15:31 on Saturday, 12 January, 2019

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