

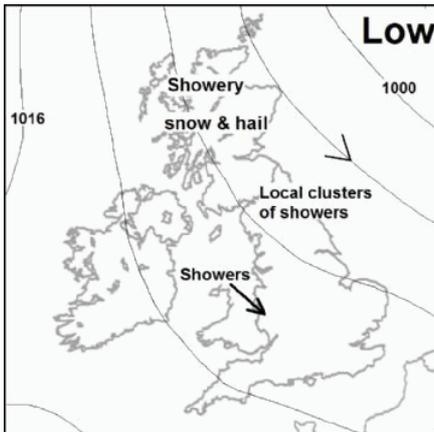
Brecon Beacons

Includes all higher summits in the southern half of Wales, including highest point in Preseli Hills.



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General Summary for Wednesday, 5 May, 2021



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 5 May, 2021

Another very cold day for May; higher mountains sub-zero, some rise of freezing level through the day. Showers with hail or snow, to lower slopes in the Highlands, locally frequent, heavy with isolated thunder. A brisk northwesterly breeze, feeling bitter where exposed.

Headline for Brecon Beacons

Cold. Brief hail and snow showers.

Detailed Forecast for Wednesday, 5 May, 2021

How windy? (On the summits)	Northwesterly, 15 to 20mph, at times 25-30mph near precipitation.
Effect of wind on you?	Feeling distinctly cold for May where exposed on tops. Suddenly very blustery and gusty near showers.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Passing snow showers A few hail and snow showers, mostly brief. Locally may be frequent in mid-Wales for a few hours.
Cloud on the hills?	Most cloud often above hills Most hills often clear, but patches of cloud forming near precipitation around 600m upwards.
Chance of cloud free summits?	80%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Intermittent bright sunshine. Frequently excellent or superb visibility.
How Cold? (at 750m)	-1C rising to 3C during the day. Wind chill feels as cold as -7C.
Freezing Level	Most terrain at least partly frozen at dawn. By midday freezing level above the summits.

Brecon Beacons - Looking Ahead

	Thursday 6 May	Friday 7 May
How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	North or northwesterly 15 to 20mph, may strengthen later. Remaining notably chilly where exposed on higher terrain, occasional sudden gusts around showers.	Westerly then variable, 10mph or at times less. By evening, southeasterlies may begin to strengthen. Mostly small, but still a notable chill on higher slopes.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Chance of local showers A little rain or possible hail showers locally, but much of the day may escape often dry.	Brief showers One or two brief showers of hail or snow, typically clearing eastwards by afternoon. After dark, threat of rain setting in heavily from the south, preceded by snow on tops.
Cloud on the hills? Chance of cloud free summits?	Often above hills Most summits often clear, but patches will form around showers, locally below 600m for a time. 80%	Little if any Cloud generally above the hills. 90%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Occasional sun. The air very clear, but visibility very poor periodically in showers.	Occasional sun in morning, then becoming sunnier on hills nearest coast in afternoon. High cloud may build from south later. The air very clear indeed, but very poor visibility around showers.
How Cold? (at 750m) Freezing Level	-1C rising toward 2C by afternoon. Frost widely from dawn. Rising just above freezing to highest tops.	0C rising to 4C by afternoon. Frost at most elevations at dawn. Rising above freezing to highest slopes by middle of day.

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Thursday, 6 May, 2021**

Unusually cold weather for early May is expected to continue into next week, particularly in Scotland, whilst some milder air is likely to move across England & Wales from the south during the weekend. Higher Scottish mountains persistently sub-zero; the freezing level sometimes widely below 900m, plus frequent frosts on lower terrain overnight.

Areas of hail and snow showers, some heavy with thunder, most widespread in the afternoons.

Another deep Atlantic low is due to move in from the southwest by Saturday - a threat of widespread upland gales, heavy rain, and further snow some areas. Chilly and showery northwesterlies are then likely to resume for a few days.

Forecast issued at 16:31 on Tuesday, 4 May, 2021

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