

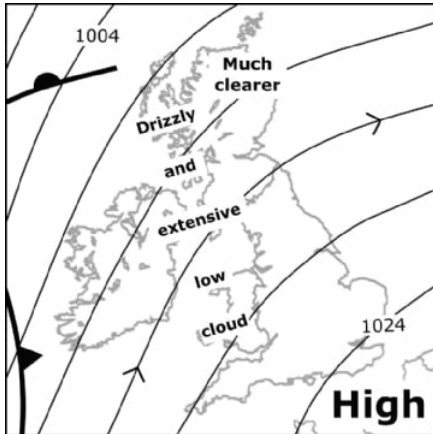
Brecon Beacons

Includes all higher summits in the southern half of Wales: the Bannau Brycheiniog / Brecon Beacons National Park, southern Cambrian Mountains and highest Preseli hills.



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General Summary for Saturday, 30 November, 2024



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 30 November, 2024

Southerly winds widely gale force over higher terrain, very gusty to some lower slopes. Small amounts of rain in total, but generally damp on western hills with drizzle and light rain plus extensive low cloud. Clearer and largely dry toward the northeast of major hill groups. Mild air, but marked wind chill over the hills.

Headline for Brecon Beacons

Windy, gusty. Damp with lowest cloud west.

Detailed Forecast for Saturday, 30 November, 2024

How windy? (On the summits)	Southerly 25 to 35mph, tending to increase during the daytime. Strengthening further from dusk, reaching 60mph late evening into night.
Effect of wind on you?	Feeling blustery and cool over higher areas, affecting comfortable walking where exposed.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Damp western hills Little rain in total; eastern hills largely dry all day, but a little drizzly rain, mostly SW Wales, making surfaces very wet.
Cloud on the hills?	Covering most summits - clearer east SW Wales: Cloud base 300 to 450m. Elsewhere: Cloud base 600 to 750 - but locally breaking completely for periods.
Chance of cloud free summits?	20% west, to 60% east.
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Dull and misty SW Wales, but at least partly sunny and good visibility elsewhere.
How Cold? (at 750m)	8C. Will feel just below 0C directly in the wind.
Freezing Level	Above the summits.

Brecon Beacons - Looking Ahead

	Sunday 1 December	Monday 2 December
How windy? (On the summits)	Southwesterly 50mph prior to dawn, but easing by early morning to 30mph.	North to northwesterly 25 to 35mph.
Effect of wind on you?	Blustery on higher tops, affecting comfortable walking, sudden buffeting gusts. Considerable wind chill.	Prepare for considerable wind chill on higher terrain. Often very blustery where exposed.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Rain on and off, showery Heavy rain from before dawn may last an hour or so into the morning, clearing eastwards. Then intermittent rain, some showery bursts developing; more frequently wet on southwestern hills.	Showers, snow on tops Occasional showers coming in from the northwest, falling increasingly as snow above 600-700m; may be locally frequent toward west Wales.
Cloud on the hills?	Fairly extensive, highest east Covering the hills widely in the morning, lowest toward west and south of Brecon. Lifting above 600m many areas, but lowering near rain in west. Some higher breaks east and mid-Wales.	Sometimes capping tops Patches of cloud drifting over higher tops from time to time, briefly to 600m in showers, locally more frequent western Cambrians.
Chance of cloud free summits?	20%	60%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Generally cloudy, local glimpses of sun may develop eastern hills. Visibility reduced by rain, improving to be very good if locally drier in east.	Occasional sun. Visibility often very good, but reduced in showers.
How Cold? (at 750m)	6C, lowering slightly later in day, continuing to fall overnight, to 2C by dawn Monday.	0 or +1C. Wind chill feeling like -10 to -13C on tops.
Freezing Level	Above the summits.	Dropping during day to around 800m.

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Sunday, 1 December, 2024**

After a mild weekend with strong southerly winds, it turns rapidly much colder again into Monday as winds switch temporarily northerly. Showers with snow falling over the mountains, to lower elevations in Scotland. Staying chilly with further periods of hill snow into midweek, but some windows of fine weather under transient areas of high pressure. Then later in the week through next weekend, a more turbulent southwesterly pattern, bringing stormy winds; fluctuating temperatures above and below freezing on the mountains with a mix of rain and upland snow.

Forecast issued at 15:00 on Friday, 29 November, 2024

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