

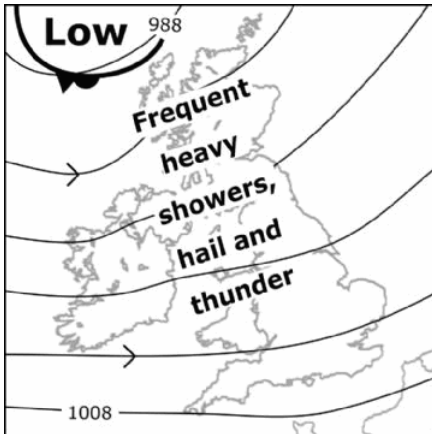
Brecon Beacons

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 Thursday, 11 September, 2025



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 11 September, 2025

Gale force winds over many Scottish high tops in the morning, but persistent all day toward the northwest; powerful squally gusts around showers. Up to gale-force also on Welsh high tops. Heavy downpours already affect most of western Britain from dawn, increasingly widespread with hail, thunder & lightning.

Headline for Brecon Beacons

Windy, gales high tops, squally. Showery bursts, hail & thunder.

Detailed Forecast for Thursday, 11 September, 2025

How windy? (On the summits)	Southwesterly 30-35mph, up to 40mph at times over high tops, sudden squally gusts in showers, possible 50mph briefly. Sustained speeds typically stronger later in the daytime.
Effect of wind on you?	Walking largely strenuous; strongest winds on tops may require bracing to maintain balance. Feeling chilly.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Heavy showers, risk thunder Showers come and go much of the day, passing through quickly, but at times quite frequent and heavy with local hail and thunder. Rain at times persistent on south and west slopes.
Cloud on the hills?	Variable, some higher breaks between showers Tops often shrouded early in day with variable banks on high terrain, some lower patches on west and southern aspects. Bases tend to lift and breaks to some tops between showers, though filling in during heavier rain.
Chance of cloud free summits?	30%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Bursts of sunshine, though clouding over for periods. Visibility often poor in rain.
How Cold? (at 750m)	7 or 8C. Feeling like -3C in direct strongest wind.
Freezing Level	Above the summits

Brecon Beacons - Looking Ahead

	Friday 12 September	Saturday 13 September
How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	West turning southwesterly 25 to 30mph. Trending towards higher speeds later in the day, 35-40mph dusk onward. Walking starting to be impeded, particularly late in the day where stability increasingly challenged in exposure. Feeling cool.	Southwesterly 25 to 40mph, speeds likely to vary during day. Frequently strenuous walking on high terrain, affecting balance on exposed tops and ridges. Considerable wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Showers, frequent rain for periods Showers, most frequent and heavy middle of day with local hail and thunder. Rain frequent for periods on southwestern hills. Showers tending to ease during afternoon, but further rain later evening-night.	Frequent heavy showers Clusters of showery rain, merging to be more constant rain for periods. Heavy bursts on and off, risk of hail and thunder. May tend to fade from west in afternoon.
Cloud on the hills?	Fairly extensive tops, some breaks east Fairly extensive over high terrain, banks down to middle elevations on south and western slopes. Bases will tend to lift with some breaks, at times to tops in the east. Western tops may struggle to clear.	Varied over high tops Cloud base frequently changing, mostly confined to higher summits, bases typically 700-800m. Breaks to tops more often toward east, best afternoon.
Chance of cloud free summits?	40% east mid-Wales, otherwise 20%	40%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Patchy sunshine, though clouding over and dull for periods. Visibility very good away from rain, at times widely poor.	Brief glimpses of sun mostly in east Wales. Visibility often reduced by rain, intermittently good.
How Cold? (at 750m) Freezing Level	7 or 8C. Feeling like -3C in strongest wind. Above the summits	6 or 7C. Feeling sub-zero, around -4C on highest tops directly in the wind. Above the summits

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Friday, 12 September, 2025**

Unsettled southwesterlies dominate through the weekend into early next week - often windy with frequent rain, cloud capping the tops. Showery bursts at times with a risk of hail and thunder. Driest and highest cloud bases toward eastern Scotland. Temperatures on the cool side, often feeling below freezing in exposure to wind on higher terrain. During Sunday and into Monday, a deeper Atlantic low is expected to move in, bringing more extensive heavy rain and gales - the strongest wind probably focused on England & Wales. Some improvement expected for a time into middle of next week, but the longer range outlook into late September remains unsettled.

Forecast issued at 16:15 on Wednesday, 10 September, 2025

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