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Brecon Beacons



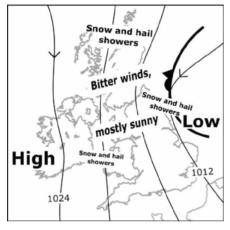


Includes all higher summits in the southern half of Wales: the Bannau Brycheiniog / Brecon Beacons National Park, southern Cambrian Mountains and highest Preseli hills.

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General Summary for Thursday, 20 November, 2025



British Mountain Summary: Based on forecast chart for noon 20 November, 2025

Staying cold as northerly winds continue, speeds starting to lessen gradually Scotland. Snow/hail showers in N Scotland, slowly fading. Showers also Cheviots, locally N/W Wales. Mostly sunny elsewhere. All terrain frozen; extensive snow cover over mountains, most substantial NW Highlands & Cairngorms.

Headline for Brecon Beacons

Bitter wind. Mostly sunny, snow showers Pembrokeshire.

Detailed Forecast for Thursday, 20 November, 2025

How windy? (On the summits)	Northerly 30 to 40mph, speed fluctuating during day, strongest sustained speeds likely afternoon.		
Effect of wind on you?	Often challenging walking conditions on higher exposed terrain; significant wind chill.		
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Most of region dry Local snow and hail showers confined to far west coast in Pembrokeshire. Otherwise dry all day.		
Cloud on the hills?	Mostly very little Rare fragments around some higher tops, but the hills largely clear.		
Chance of cloud free summits?	80%		
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Generally sunny. Visibility excellent.		
How Cold? (at 750m)	-2C. Wind chill feeling like -15C in stronger speeds.		
Freezing Level	500-600m, but frost into many valleys in morning, partial thawing lower sunlit slopes.		

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Brecon Beacons - Looking Ahead

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	Friday 21 November	Saturday 22 November
How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	North-northwest 15-20mph at dawn, but likely soon less. Later turning W-SW'ly, increasing evening-night to 30-35mph. Mostly small during daytime, then likely to deteriorate from dusk onward.	Southwesterly 40mph in morning, risk 50mph around dawn, tending to ease toward 25mph; more variable later. Strenuous walking with frequent buffeting and considerable wind chill, tending to gradually improve.
How wet?	Precipitation unlikely until night	Rain fairly persistent, some heavy
(Precipitation and its impact)	Most likely all daytime dry. Into night, risk rain developing from west, snow on higher terrain for a time.	Rain arriving before dawn from the west likely to continue into the daytime, risk wet much of the day, occasional heavier rain. Possibly easing for a time, but later renewed pulses of rain may set in again.
Cloud on the hills?	Likely none	Extensive, some rising east
	Most hills likely clear all day. During afternoon, some patches may form on slopes near west coast.	Shrouding the hills widely, banks to some lower elevations in morning and if rain persists on southern slopes. Best of any breaks toward 600m likely east mid-Wales.
Chance of cloud free summits?	90%	20%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Sun through high cloud, tending to thicken from west, may become obscured later. Visibility excellent, possible mist or haze in some valleys.	Largely cloudy. Misty and dull especially south, poor visibility due to rain.
How Cold? (at 750m)	-1C, slight rise to around 0C afternoon, then +2C into night.	4 or 5C. Feeling like -7C in exposure to strongest wind.
Freezing Level	Much inland terrain frozen in morning, all day out of sunlight. General rise toward 700m; then into night above the tops.	Above the summits.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Friday, 21 November, 2025

Winter conditions over the mountains - snow coverage to lower slopes in Scotland, snow and ice cover varied for England & Wales, but much terrain frozen; hard frost into inland valleys and glens into Friday. A front moving into Scotland from the west on Friday brings gales and snow, turning to rain lower down - arriving in England & Wales Friday evening-night. Less cold into the weekend, but higher mountains stay near or just below freezing, particularly Scotland; showers or locally more frequent upland snow over several days forward. Later next week looks at least briefly milder.

Forecast issued at 15:00 on Wednesday, 19 November, 2025

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