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Brecon Beacons

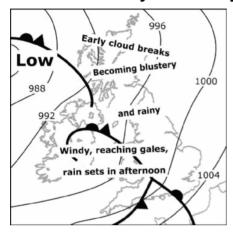




Includes all higher summits in the southern half of Wales: the Bannau Brycheiniog / Brecon Beacons National Park, southern Cambrian Mountains and highest Preseli hills.

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General Summary for Sunday, 7 December, 2025



British Mountain Summary: Based on forecast chart for noon 7 December, 2025

Patchy rain in western areas early, drier east though lots of cloud over summits; some clear tops central and south Pennines. Winds soon begin to strengthen widely, quickest in Wales and reaching gale force here afternoon. Rain also arrives from the west afternoon, spreading widely into evening.

Headline for Brecon Beacons

Blustery, afternoon gales with rain setting in

Detailed Forecast for Sunday, 7 December, 2025

How windy? (On the summits)	Southerly 20-25mph from dawn, soon strengthening, reaching 35-45mph around dusk with a west-southwesterly trend (some variability); gusts reaching 50mph+ for a time around and after dusk.	
Effect of wind on you?	Conditions soon deteriorate to strenuous walking over higher terrain, further deteriorating with a risk of difficult conditions and challenging mobility later. Significant wind chill.	
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Patchy rain, spreading widely afternoon Occasional patches of rain drifting from the west in the morning. Rain sets in more widely through afternoon into evening with a risk of heavy falls on western slopes. Rain will break as night progresses.	
Cloud on the hills?	Extensive Shrouding the hills widely, with banks of cloud from low to mid elevations upward.	
Chance of cloud free summits?	Less than 10%	
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Generally cloudy and misty, poor visibility likely most hills.	
How Cold? (at 750m)	8C, fairly small variation with height and rising a degree higher during the day. A sharp drop from dusk into night, lowering to 6C. Feeling below freezing in the wind, near -5C if speeds increase.	
Freezing Level	Above the summits.	

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Brecon Beacons - Looking Ahead

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	Monday 8 December	Tuesday 9 December
How windy? (On the summits)	Southwesterly 35-50mph from dawn, easing to 30-35mph through morning where speeds likely to remain.	South-southwesterly 55-65mph, gusts reaching 75mph. Easing into nighttime, trending southwesterly.
Effect of wind on you?	Strenuous walking with buffeting in exposure all day, arduous over the summits early. Considerable wind chill.	Widely difficult conditions making any mobility tortuous. Significant wind chill.
How wet?	Intermittent rain with heavy bursts	Rain rarely ceasing
(Precipitation and its impact)	Intermittent showery rain most of the day, may merge into broader areas of rain for periods with heavy bursts.	Widespread rain, incessant and heavy near and south of Pen-Y-Fan, perhaps all day; local improvements afternoon but always a risk of returning. Beware fast-rising streams and flood risk.
Cloud on the hills?	Varied, often covering high terrain	Extensive, local improvements later
	Largely cloudy over high terrain most of the day, some variability of bases between 600-700m, odd higher breaks north of the high tops but also filling in for periods during longer bursts of rain.	Blanket cloud from middle or lower slopes up through the morning, always lowest on south-facing. Breaks to middle slopes occurring afternoon, chance of breaks up to 600-700m Black Mountains.
Chance of cloud free summits?	30%	Less than 10%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Little sunshine expected. Variable visibility, will be poor in rain.	Overcast and dull. Poor visibility.
How Cold? (at 750m)	6 or 7C, a slow rise into night. If exposed to stronger winds, risk feeling like -7C on high tops.	9 to 11C, sharply dropping afternoon towards 7C. Feeling as cold as -5C in afternoon wind.
Freezing Level	Above the summits.	Above the summits

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Monday, 8 December, 2025

Generally unsettled into the week with areas of low pressure moving in from the Atlantic on prevailing southwesterly winds. Temperatures relatively mild, higher tops in the Highlands intermittently just below freezing point; expect periods of thawing even up to these tops. Day-to-day weather detail will be uncertain even in short-range as complex systems develop - a series of frontal systems bringing spells of rain, at times more widespread and heavy - any snowfall mostly confined to highest tops in Scotland; also showers at times with hail mostly near western coasts. Wind speeds will also vary, often blustery with periods of gales or severe gales on tops, but local lulls too.

Forecast issued at 16:18 on Saturday, 6 December, 2025

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