

Brecon Beacons

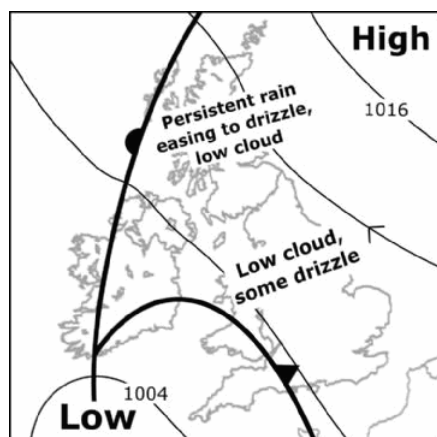
Includes all higher summits in the southern half of Wales: the Bannau Brycheiniog / Brecon Beacons National Park, southern Cambrian Mountains and highest Preseli hills.



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General Summary for Monday, 22 December, 2025



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 22 December, 2025

Strong and gusty SE'ly winds. Rain fairly widely across the Highlands in the morning, easing but leaving patchy drizzle and low cloud shrouding the hills. Low cloud and some drizzly rain for England and Wales, but some breaks for the Lakes, also clearing conditions moving into south Wales.

Headline for Brecon Beacons

Gusty wind easing. Some drizzle, low cloud, clearing.

Detailed Forecast for Monday, 22 December, 2025

How windy? (On the summits)	Southeasterly 25-30mph, gusty around dawn, gradually easing to 15-20mph.
Effect of wind on you?	Blustery early in day with marked wind chill and some buffeting where exposed to the wind, improving.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Early rain and drizzle, drying up Widespread rain from overnight soon breaks into patchy drizzle, most frequent on east and southeast hill groups early morning, tending to fade by midday, possibly sooner; then dry.
Cloud on the hills?	Lifting and clearing, best in west Extensive down to middle slopes on the hills from dawn. Higher bases west, and cloud tending to rise and break more widely, largely clearing western hills into afternoon. Some patches may linger on tops southeastern areas.
Chance of cloud free summits?	20% rising to 50%, 70% west Wales.
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Overcast dull start, brightening up, some sun if high cloud thins. Visibility becomes very good out of cloud as morning drizzle clears.
How Cold? (at 750m)	5C, may drop a degree or so afternoon.
Freezing Level	Above the summits

Brecon Beacons - Looking Ahead

	Tuesday 23 December	Wednesday 24 December
How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	East to northeasterly 10 to 25mph, gradually strengthening afternoon, increasingly gusty 30mph by dusk. Fairly small, though some noticeable effects in exposure later in daytime, gusty winds becoming uncomfortable.	A gusty easterly, 35-45mph. Strenuous-to-arduous walking with buffeting in exposure. Expect stability challenges and significant wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Often dry Some light patchy rain here and there, though amounting to little with many hills often dry.	No rain expected
Cloud on the hills? Chance of cloud free summits?	Fairly extensive High tops in fog most or all day. Lower banks will come and go, reaching as low as valley bottoms early in the day. Bases tend to be higher on the southwestern slopes. 20%	Mostly high eastern terrain Cloud banks frequently covering high terrain of the Black Mountains and Pen-Y-Fan group. More patchy to the west, southern slopes often free of cloud. 50%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Little or no sun. Good visibility where below cloud; hazier eastern hills.	Patchy sunshine to the east, more often sunny west. A haze at first but visibility improving.
How Cold? (at 750m) Freezing Level	3 or 4C; some western slopes slightly warmer; lowering to 0C into night. Above the summits; then dropping close to freezing on some higher slopes into night.	-1C east, up to 3C westernmost hills, becoming more widely cool late in the day. Feeling like -10 to -13C in direct wind. Poorly defined: 700-800m, though warm downslope winds to the west will reduce freezing potential here.

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Tuesday, 23 December, 2025**

Cloud and patchy rain lingers early this week, then a slow change to drier and chiller weather into the Christmas period as high pressure builds to the north. Easterly winds will be dominant, the strongest winds in England and Wales. Cloud may be fairly sheet-like in the east sometimes, though variably more extensive or broken, best northwest. The coldest air will reach England and Wales on the easterly wind with freezing levels reaching as low as 400-600m in Wales, staying slightly warmer in northern Scotland with some inversion conditions likely over higher terrain; frost into glens.

Forecast issued at 16:30 on Sunday, 21 December, 2025

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