

Brecon Beacons

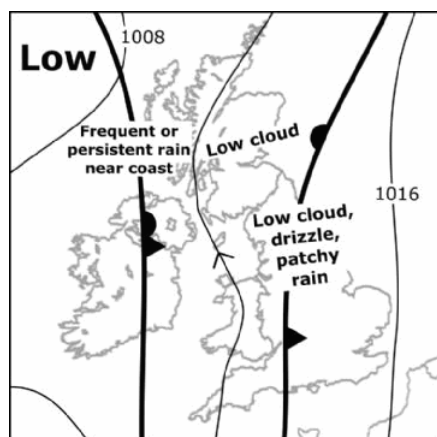
Includes all higher summits in the southern half of Wales: the Bannau Brycheiniog / Brecon Beacons National Park, southern Cambrian Mountains and highest Preseli hills.



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General Summary for Monday, 19 January, 2026



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 19 January, 2026

Rain near the west coast of Scotland, largely dry inland, but low cloud covering southern Highlands widely, higher and more broken cloud northward. Rain or drizzle and blanket fog over the Pennines, drier for Lakes and Wales, with best cloud breaks northern areas. Southerly winds strongest N/W Scotland, gusty.

Headline for Brecon Beacons

Increasing gusty wind. Low cloud, some drizzle.

Detailed Forecast for Monday, 19 January, 2026

How windy? (On the summits)	Southerly 20mph, gusty 25mph in places around some higher tops, in afternoon reaching 30mph for periods.
Effect of wind on you?	Fairly small, but becoming more blustery in exposure, affecting ease of walking. Marked wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Drizzle Generally damp all day, frequent drizzle, but total amounts small.
Cloud on the hills?	Extensive, lowest south/east; breaks west Low cloud shrouding the hills widely, foggy from many mid-slopes upward, some lower elevations furthest south. Local higher breaks toward Cardigan Bay, clearing to some upper slopes.
Chance of cloud free summits?	10%, to 40% westernmost Cambrians.
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Overcast and dull, poor visibility over hills, hazy lower down. Locally better toward Cambrian coast.
How Cold? (at 750m)	4C. Feeling like -5C directly in the wind.
Freezing Level	Above the summits.

Brecon Beacons - Looking Ahead

	Tuesday 20 January	Wednesday 21 January
How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	South-southeasterly, strengthening 40 to 60mph, powerful gusts around high tops and in places downslope to north. Arduous walking conditions, difficult on exposed high terrain, gusts could knock you over; significant wind chill.	Southeasterly 30 to 50mph, speed likely to vary during the day, but likely generally strengthening, perhaps quickly. Walking increasingly arduous over exposed terrain, gusts frequently knocking you off balance. Significant wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Drizzly rain, risk wetter later Patchy rain and drizzle, most persistent Brecon Beacons. Afternoon into evening, risk steadier and heavier rain setting in from southwest.	Generally damp, risk rain setting in Rain on and off, likely persistently drizzly across the hills. Risk of steadier rain setting in, possibly becoming heavier later.
Cloud on the hills? Chance of cloud free summits?	Covering most tops Shrouding the hills widely, lowest cloud base toward south to mid-slopes, some higher breaks toward mid-Wales. 20%	Extensive Covering the hills widely above 400-600m, highest bases toward the western Cambrians; may fill in lower in south. 10%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Generally cloudy and dull. Visibility poor in rain/drizzle, local improvements mainly northward.	Overcast and dull, poor visibility in rain.
How Cold? (at 750m) Freezing Level	2 or 3C. Wind chill feeling like -12 to -15C. Above the summits.	Around 0C. Wind chill feeling like -10 to -15C where exposed on higher areas. Close to freezing on higher tops around 800m, tending to lower slightly during day.

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Tuesday, 20 January, 2026**

South to southeasterly winds prevail during the week ahead, widely strengthening to become persistently windy, gales over mountains with powerful gusts. Mountains near to freezing point in Scotland, typically just above freezing to high tops in England and Wales for a few days. A slowly circulating weather system will bring areas of rain and high-level snow, becoming more persistent as the week progresses, cloud covering most hills; generally driest and clearest in northwest Scotland. Colder air trying to move in from the east into later January, leaving most mountain terrain frozen in the longer range.

Forecast issued at 16:17 on Sunday, 18 January, 2026

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