

Brecon Beacons

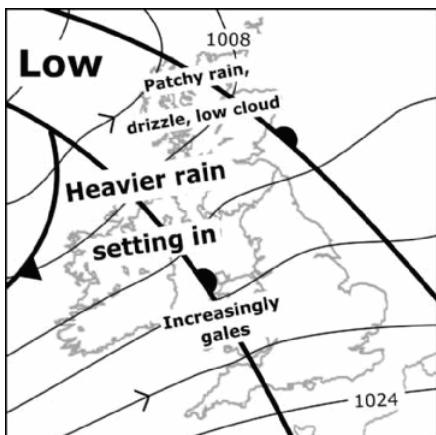
Includes all higher summits in the southern half of Wales: the Bannau Brycheiniog / Brecon Beacons National Park, southern Cambrian Mountains and highest Preseli hills.



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General Summary for Saturday, 21 February, 2026



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 21 February, 2026

Southwesterly winds strengthening during the day, becoming upland gales more widely later. Milder overall, soon rising above freezing to the highest summits in Scotland. Rain, drizzle and low cloud extensive, developing into more prolonged heavy rain from the west in the afternoon.

Headline for Brecon Beacons

Windy, strengthening gales. Rain heavier afternoon.

Detailed Forecast for Saturday, 21 February, 2026

How windy? (On the summits)	Southwesterly 35 to 40mph, lowest speeds early morning, but increasing through day toward 50mph mid-late afternoon, stronger gusts toward 60mph later on high tops.
Effect of wind on you?	Strenuous walking conditions, making balance challenging on exposed ridges, increasingly difficult during afternoon, gusts may knock you off your feet later in day.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Rain and drizzle, persistent and heavier afternoon Rain on and off, persistently drizzly at least, more constant rain for periods in west, becoming heavier with time into afternoon. Patchier eastern mid-Wales. Increasingly very wet underfoot.
Cloud on the hills?	Extensive Blanketing the hills all day, rarely above 300-400m west and southwest areas. Slightly higher eastward, and furthest east in mid Wales, bases toward 600m at times.
Chance of cloud free summits?	10%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Overcast and dull. Hazy, visibility widely poor in rain.
How Cold? (at 750m)	5 or 6C. Where exposed to stronger winds on tops, feeling like -5 to -7C.
Freezing Level	Above the summits.

Brecon Beacons - Looking Ahead

	Sunday 22 February	Monday 23 February
How windy? (On the summits)	Southwesterly 30 to 40mph, squally gusts in showers, tending to strengthen.	Southwesterly 30 to 40mph, lowest speeds likely around noon, then increasing again afternoon, up to 50mph by dusk.
Effect of wind on you?	Strenuous walking over the hills, challenging on exposed higher terrain with buffeting gusts. Considerable wind chill.	Strenuous walking over higher terrain, increasingly arduous later in day. Considerable wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	A few local showers Overnight rain clearing southwards around or soon after dawn. Then occasional showery rain, mostly western Cambrians.	Rain and drizzle, mostly west Rain on and off, persistently drizzly toward western Cambrians at least, risk more widely, may become steadier rain.
Cloud on the hills?	Most frequent western tops Covering most higher slopes from dawn, but then rising and breaking toward higher tops as rain clears. Patches likely to come and go on tops around 700-800m, most often in western areas.	Extensive low cloud Likely to cover the mountains all day, risk from mid-elevations upward, or lower toward west and southwest. Some breaks above 700m mainly further east.
Chance of cloud free summits?	40%	10%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Sun breaking through at times mainly eastern areas. Visibility very good, locally briefly reduced in showers in west.	Largely cloudy, hazy or increasingly murky over south and western hills. Some brighter moments and better visibility east.
How Cold? (at 750m)	4 or 5C. Wind chill feeling like -7 to -10C on tops.	4 or 5C, rising slightly during day. Feeling like -7 to -10C directly in the wind.
Freezing Level	Above the summits.	Above the summits.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Sunday, 22 February, 2026

West to southwesterly winds prevail during the week ahead as areas of low pressure move toward northwest Scotland whilst ridges of higher pressure occasionally nudge across southern Britain. Sustained gales over the mountains, only brief lulls. Temperatures will fluctuate above and below freezing on higher Scottish mountains, with periods of thaw and refreezing. England and Wales generally above freezing to tops with a substantial thaw of most upland snow. Frequent rainfall, often heavy over western mountains, at times showery with hail, some snow on Scottish Munros. The final days of February favour colder northwesterly air and a drop of freezing level.

Forecast issued at 15:30 on Friday, 20 February, 2026

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