

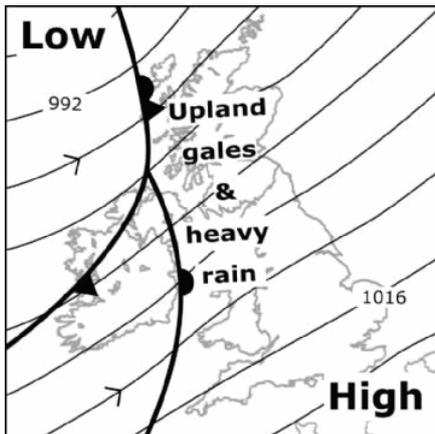
Brecon Beacons

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, 26 February, 2026



British Mountain Summary:
Based on forecast chart for noon 26 February, 2026

Gale-force southwesterlies, strengthening to be severe on higher mountains. Rain increasingly persistent from the west, some heavier falls setting in for periods combined with lowering cloud over the hills. Near freezing on higher Scottish tops, where some snow falls for a time.

Headline for Brecon Beacons

Upland gales. Rain increasingly persistent, heavier afternoon.

Detailed Forecast for Thursday, 26 February, 2026

How windy? (On the summits)	Southwesterly 35 to 45mph, a trend towards the higher end of the range with time and reaching 50-55mph over high terrain afternoon and onward after dark.
Effect of wind on you?	Strenuous-to-arduous walking all day, strongest wind necessitating notable effort to maintain stability, increasingly difficult afternoon; significant wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Rain on-and-off, becoming persistently heavier. Rain comes and goes, often patchy and light toward eastern mid Wales. Between pulses of rain, spotty rain in the wind continues to affect the southern Brecon Beacons. More prolonged heavier rain increasingly sets in from west into afternoon.
Cloud on the hills?	Variable, fairly extensive Cloud shrouds the high terrain most of the day, often to middle elevations of southern aspects and Cambrians. During rain breaks, bases will lift, a chance of higher breaks Black Mountains, but cloud returns again.
Chance of cloud free summits?	30%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Often cloudy, though a period of brighter skies and some sun through high cloud early in day eastern areas. Mixed visibility, good out of fog/rain, but a haze towards the sea.
How Cold? (at 750m)	6C, rising slightly afternoon. Feeling like -8C in the wind.
Freezing Level	Above the summits.

Brecon Beacons - Looking Ahead

	Friday 27 February	Saturday 28 February
How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	Southwesterly gales overnight ease. Then a lull, but risk increasing N-NW'ly again 25-30mph - high uncertainty. Uncertain, variable conditions: effects may be small for several hours but a deteriorating trend likely.	Variable or NW'ly 15 to 25mph for several hours, may drop less. Then by dusk SW'ly 25mph. Risk 40-50mph into night. Fairly small, but in places more blustery occasionally, feeling chilly. Deteriorating onward after dark.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Periods of rain High uncertainty - rain likely affecting most hills at some point through the day, some dry moments too, but also a risk of setting in more widely for several hours.	Soon largely dry Possible local showery rain early morning, likely to fade. Onward into night, risk of rain moving in from west.
Cloud on the hills? Chance of cloud free summits?	Extensive, may vary From dawn, a sheet of cloud shrouds the hills from middle slopes upward, ragged patches to lower slopes too. A lifting and breaking trend away from rain, but if rain lingers or returns, cloud widely lower. 20%	Likely clearing Cloud banks may cover some higher slopes in morning, likely to lift and largely clear. 70%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Largely cloudy, some brighter skies may occur, but a veil of high cloud. Visibility poor in rain, but some improvements at times possible.	Patchy cloud breaking to give increasing amounts of sun. Visibility becoming excellent.
How Cold? (at 750m) Freezing Level	3 or 4C. Feeling like -5C in strongest wind. Above the summits.	2 or 3C. Feeling like -5C if exposed to stronger breeze on hills. Just above higher summits.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Friday, 27 February, 2026

A changeable southwesterly regime continues through the weekend into early next week. Colder for a time with a drop of freezing level Friday into Saturday allowing some refreezing of higher mountain terrain mainly in Scotland, the snowpack on high mountains consolidating following recent thawing. Milder air and thawing returns into Sunday, accompanied by rain and upland gales. During next week, higher pressure is expected to develop around the British Isles, bringing quieter weather, drier for most with lighter winds. Some fronts may continue to graze northwest Scotland with rain and stronger winds locally for a few more days. Temperatures tending to be on the milder side during early March, but some frosts into valleys at times.

Forecast issued at 16:27 on Wednesday, 25 February, 2026

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