

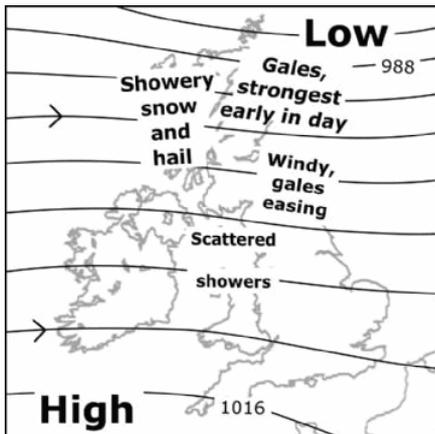
Brecon Beacons

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 Wednesday, 11 March, 2026



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 11 March, 2026

Cold strong westerly winds, gales over Scottish mountains and more widely early in day, significant chill factor over mountains. Showery snow and hail most frequent W & NW Highlands, more scattered elsewhere. Cloud base varying, occasional sun.

Headline for Brecon Beacons

Windy, gale-force at first. Local brief showers.

Detailed Forecast for Wednesday, 11 March, 2026

How windy? (On the summits)	Westerly up to 40mph post dawn. Will drop to typically 25 or on higher tops 30mph by midday. Increasing again into night, later reaching 60mph, stronger gusts.
Effect of wind on you?	Expect considerable wind chill and walking to be arduous at first. By late morning, the wind still likely to impede ease of walking where exposed. Deteriorating again to gales onward into night.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Brief showers - some hail Occasional showers, sometimes of hail.
Cloud on the hills?	Frequently clearing In precipitation, cloud temporarily forming from 400 to 500m upward. Otherwise, by midday nearly all cloud above the summits.
Chance of cloud free summits?	80% by midday
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Patchwork of sunshine, most sun east Wales. Visibility mostly very good or excellent.
How Cold? (at 750m)	1C rising slowly toward 3C, then slightly higher into night. Will feel like -8C directly in the wind.
Freezing Level	Above the summits.

Brecon Beacons - Looking Ahead

	Thursday 12 March	Friday 13 March
How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	Southwesterly 45 to 60mph. Difficult conditions over the mountains, any mobility challenging in exposure on tops. Significant wind chill.	West to southwesterly 30 to 40mph, likely strongest in the morning, squally gusts around showers. Strenuous walking conditions over exposed higher terrain, buffeting at times and considerable wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Rain may set in heavier later Rain on and off at least, more persistent at times over west and southern areas, patchier eastwards. With time, prolonged heavier rain developing, after dark snow high tops.	Hail and snow showers, risk thunder Showers with hail sometimes frequent on more western hills; also snow falling to 300-400m in morning, then mostly confined above 600m with time. Risk isolated lightning.
Cloud on the hills? Chance of cloud free summits?	Extensive Covering many hills most or all day above 400-500m, at times lower on southwestern slopes. Some higher bases toward east around Black Mountains. 20%	Varying, mostly higher and western tops Cloud base frequently changing: at times shafts of cloud to 600m or lower near Cardigan Bay, and likely to come and go above 700-800m inland, but some breaks to the higher tops, more often eastwards. 40%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Overcast and dull most of day, local brighter moments east and mid-Wales. Rather hazy, poorer visibility in rain.	Bursts of sun west, or more frequent bright sun east Wales. Visibility often very good eastern areas, but further west at times very poor in showers.
How Cold? (at 750m) Freezing Level	3C, rising to 6 or 7C, the dropping towards or below freezing overnight. Wind chill feeling like -7 to -10C. Above the summits during daylight, lowering overnight to 600m.	-2C rising to 0C afternoon. Feeling like -10 to -13C directly in the wind. 500-600m at first, rising toward 800m by early afternoon.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Thursday, 12 March, 2026

Generally unsettled onward into the upcoming weekend and start of next week as low pressure systems pass near and north of Britain - strong west or southwesterly winds prevail, often gale-force to at times storm-force over the mountains. Some fluctuation of temperature and freezing level, but mostly below freezing over Scottish mountains, at times snow falling to lower elevations. Colder for all by the end of this week with widely lowering freezing level by Friday. Frequent precipitation most western mountains, accumulations of snow across the mountains, most substantial in western Scotland from Glencoe northwards. Quieter weather patterns indicated beyond mid-month as higher pressure builds.

Forecast issued at 16:00 on Tuesday, 10 March, 2026

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