

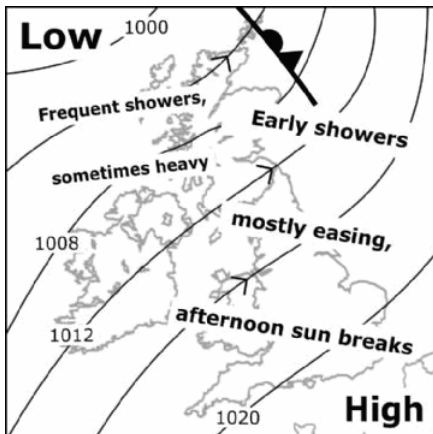
Brecon Beacons

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, 16 April, 2026



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 16 April, 2026

Dawn gales over summits of south Scotland and north England, strongest wind moving north, but staying breezy in northern parts of England and Wales. Showers for many in the morning, soon easing with sun breaks, but remaining frequent with heavy bursts in west Scotland; some rain approaches Wales later afternoon.

Headline for Brecon Beacons

Scattered showers, mostly east; blustery early

Detailed Forecast for Thursday, 16 April, 2026

How windy? (On the summits)	Southwesterly 20-25mph most of the day, through 30-35mph just at and before dawn. Occasionally stronger in the west and trending towards a sustained 30mph westernmost hills around dusk.
Effect of wind on you?	Fairly small at times, but feeling blustery in exposure, particularly in the morning when feeling chilly and again later in the day in the west.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Some fine drizzle, scattered showers Fine drizzle drifting around high terrain from time to time in cloud. Also scattered showers will occur much of the day, generally light in nature, most frequent on eastern hills. Later afternoon into evening may see a few hours of more widespread light rain.
Cloud on the hills?	Lifting to the summits, clear periods too Most terrain above 600m in cloud from dawn, to 500m or lower south and western slopes. Bases soon rising to mostly just caps on the high tops by midday, clear periods likely too between showers. As evening approaches, a risk of more extensive cloud returning to high terrain for several hours.
Chance of cloud free summits?	30% rising to 60%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Sunshine increasingly breaking out to a patchwork afternoon. Visibility becoming very good, though may suddenly deteriorate where showers occur.
How Cold? (at 750m)	5C, rising to 6C, 7C eastern hills. Feeling as cold as -5C in early wind.
Freezing Level	Above the summits.

Brecon Beacons - Looking Ahead

	Friday 17 April	Saturday 18 April
How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	Southerly 30-35mph, soon shifting southwesterly, some variability, sometimes stronger, then an easing trend Strenuous walking in exposure most of the day, at times more arduous with notable wind chill; some improvement later.	Westerly 20 to 25mph, gusty in showers. Fairly small effect on walking, but feeling blustery and chilly in exposure on higher areas.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Heavy rain for several hours, easing Patchy rain from dawn, setting in persistent and heavy for a few hours, tending to ease but lingering over eastern hill groups. Later, only scattered showers west, and perhaps largely dry.	Showers, hail Scattered showery rain, mostly western Cambrians in the morning, risk brief locally heavier bursts with hail.
Cloud on the hills? Chance of cloud free summits?	Variable, most southwest, more extensive for a time From dawn, cloud shrouds the high tops, variable lower banks, mostly west of Brecon and south. Filling in more widely to middle slopes as rain sets in for several hours. Later, some high breaks forming from the west, but only fleeting. 10%, later rising to 40% west	Lifting mostly above tops 60% Patchy cloud mostly western areas in the morning, likely to come and go on highest tops, briefly to 600m in west at first, may continue to graze tops for periods around showers, but much cloud lifting from tops.
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Mostly cloudy, dull for several hours as rain sets in with poor visibility. Glimpses of sun later with good visibility.	Brief bursts of sun, some sun more often toward coast later in day. Visibility often excellent, briefly reduced during showers.
How Cold? (at 750m) Freezing Level	6 or 7C. Notably cooling by several degrees evening into night. Feeling as cold as -5C in direct wind. Above the summits.	4 or 5C, marginal rise into afternoon. Feeling like -4C directly in the wind. Above the summits.

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Friday, 17 April, 2026**

Friday stays windy with a band of rain passing east across the British Isles. A settling trend begins on Saturday, showers lingering in western areas, then the most settled conditions of the weekend on Sunday. Light or even negligible wind by Sunday with cool-to-mild temperatures, though perhaps on the chillier side in Scotland. The stronger sunshine will feel mild despite chiller temperatures.

More certainty regarding a dominance of high pressure next week: a mix of cloud and sun, often dry, and cool temperatures. Greatest chance of scattered showers in eastern areas, more cloud here, and some low fog in the mornings as well. Easterly wind at times quite blustery and gusty in England and Wales, generally lighter Scotland.

Forecast issued at 16:06 on Wednesday, 15 April, 2026

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