

Brecon Beacons

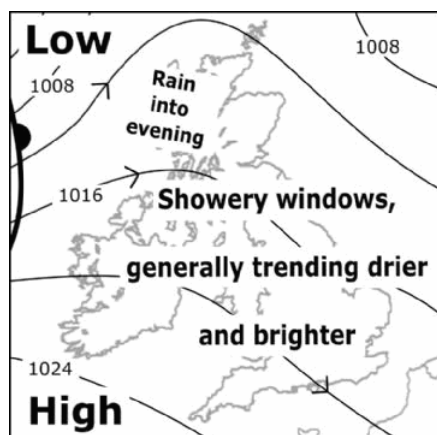
Includes all higher summits in the southern half of Wales: the Bannau Brycheiniog / Brecon Beacons National Park, southern Cambrian Mountains and highest Preseli hills.



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General Summary for Wednesday, 16 September, 2026



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 16 September, 2026

Northwesterly wind pushes chilly air and showers into Scotland, milder but showery in Wales and west England. Wind lessens and showers increasingly scattering, a few light showery clusters here and there (total rainfall small). Rain and wind into west Scotland later, spreading widely overnight.

Headline for Brecon Beacons

Showers on and off, trending to fade with sun breaking out

Detailed Forecast for Wednesday, 16 September, 2026

How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	Northwesterly 20-25mph, lessening and shifting westerly, 15mph for a time, later shifting southwesterly, restrengthening to 25-30mph into evening, further strengthening overnight. Fairly small most of the day, though a breezy start in exposure, and becoming blustery again into evening.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Drizzle and some showers, fading Drizzly over the Cambrians to start, as well as the high Brecon Beacons with showers drifting from the northwest. Both ease, becoming largely dry by late afternoon.
Cloud on the hills? Chance of cloud free summits?	Fairly extensive to start, lifting to tops, increasingly breaking Cloud over high terrain to start, fairly extensive Cambrians, with patchy banks to middle slopes of Brecon Beacons, locally lower where sheltered. Bases will lift, cloud breaks up somewhat, likely just patches over tops from midday and increasingly breaking up later. 30% rising to 60%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Patchy sun breaks out, some extensive sunny windows, then thin high cloud builds from the west later in the day. Good visibility.
How Cold? (at 750m) Freezing Level	8 to 10C, mildest east. In strongest late wind, feeling like 1 to 3C. Above the summits.

Brecon Beacons - Looking Ahead

	Thursday 17 September	Friday 18 September
How windy? (On the summits)	Westerly 25-30mph, easing towards 20mph for a few hours but also gusty.	Westerly 20-25mph, shifting southwesterly and strengthening, to a gusty 35-45mph later.
Effect of wind on you?	Blustery in exposure much of the day, buffeting gusts and a chilly feeling.	Increasingly strenuous walking, more arduous moments later in considerable buffeting with wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Scattered showers A broad area of rain from overnight clears away to the east just around dawn for a day of light scattered showers. Many hills will see extended dry windows and total rainfall amounting to little.	Rain from midday The morning is largely dry, perhaps an odd drizzly spot in the west. From midday, rain arrives from the west, may set in for a few hours, then rain on-and-off into nighttime.
Cloud on the hills?	Little expected Cloud fairly extensive over high terrain before sunrise, may linger just around dawn but will soon break up to just fleeting caps over highest tops, if any. A greater risk of banks over tops for a few afternoon hours.	Covering high tops, becoming extensive High terrain begins in cloud, lower patches here and there, lifting towards tops but summits more often covered than clear of cloud. As rain arrives afternoon, blanket cloud fills in towards 600-700m, and lower southwestern areas.
Chance of cloud free summits?	80%	40%, lowering to 10%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Mostly sunny, a little fair weather cloud. Very good visibility.	Patchy sunshine, becoming cloudy and later dull. Hazy at best, visibility deteriorating afternoon.
How Cold? (at 750m) Freezing Level	8 or 9C. Feeling just above freezing in strongest direct wind. Above the summits.	8 to 10C, trending higher and rising further into night. Feeling like 0C in direct wind. Above the summits.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Thursday, 17 September, 2026

Showers and strong westerly wind prevails from Thursday into the weekend - areas of low pressure passing north of Scotland with frontal systems bringing bands of rain, followed by showers, wettest over western mountains in Scotland. Periods of gale-force winds over higher terrain, cool temperatures with significant wind chill, particularly in the north where temperatures will occasionally approach freezing point on high Scottish tops. Showers generally more scattered in England and Wales, most showers in the west; bright spells too, but bands of rain and low cloud will pass these areas. Mild temperatures, at times warm south Pennines and Wales.

Milder, more settled weather is indicated next week, though sometimes breezy in Scotland, spells of rain in the west.

Forecast issued at 16:11 on Tuesday, 15 September, 2026

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