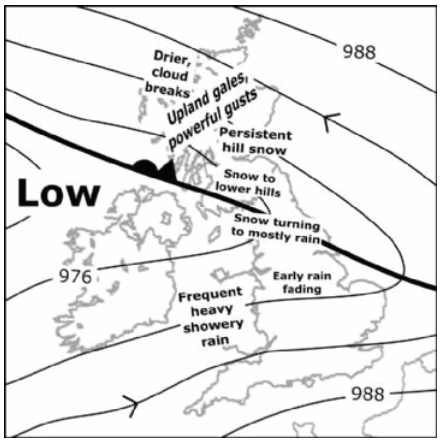
Brecon Beacons

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 Tuesday, 17 November, 2026



British Mountain Summary:
Based on forecast chart for noon 17 November, 2026

Easterly gales for the Highlands. A swathe of rain and hill snow central-southern Scotland and northern England, snow falling to lower elevations for a time in Southern Uplands. Patchier snow flurries further north/westward in the Highlands. Heavy showery rain west & south Wales, strong southwesterly winds here.

Headline for Brecon Beacons

Windy, risk gales, squally, heavy bursts of rain south and west.

Detailed Forecast for Tuesday, 17 November, 2026

How windy? (On the summits)	Southwesterly 25 to 40mph, still some uncertainty of highest speed, risk of more sustained 40-45mph gales occurring for a few hours at least, particularly Brecon Beacons. Powerful squally gusts.
Effect of wind on you?	**Blustery over high terrain affecting comfortable walking and balance with considerable wind chill. Risk of more challenging conditions for several hours.**
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	**Frequent or persistent heavy rain and showers** Often raining much of south and west Wales, heavy bursts sometimes with hail mixed in, chance of isolated thunder. Pulses of rain spreading northeastward, but patchier east-mid Wales. May break up a little more into scattered showers during afternoon. Very wet underfoot, streams in spate.
Cloud on the hills?	**Frequently covering tops** Cloud base varying, but often shrouding higher and western hills above 700m, at times patches to 500m southwest areas. Some breaks higher up toward east.
Chance of cloud free summits?	**30%**
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Little if any sun. Visibility at times good where dry, but often poor in rain in south/west.
How Cold? (at 750m)	5C, little change all day. Feeling like -5C or possibly near -10C if exposed to stronger wind.
Freezing Level	Above the summits.

Brecon Beacons - Looking Ahead

	Wednesday 18 November	Thursday 19 November
How windy? (On the summits)	Southwesterly 25 to 35mph, possibly 40mph.	Variable 5-10mph or less, becoming easterly 15-20mph.
Effect of wind on you?	**Strenuous walking conditions, risk more arduous on high terrain with considerable wind chill.**	**Mostly small.**
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	**Frequent or persistent bursts of rain** Frequent showery rain west and southern areas, some more constant falls, heavy bursts with possible hail, chance of thunder. Patchier east-mid Wales.	**Risk of rain on and off** Areas of rain moving around slowly, may persist over a few hours, odd showery bursts, whilst other locations are drier. Possible sleet or wet snow on tops.
Cloud on the hills?	**Extensive higher areas** Covering higher slopes most of the day above 700m, patches to lower elevations at times south and west of Brecon. Breaks higher up mostly eastern areas.	**Covering some slopes** Varied patches of cloud around different slopes in the morning, some higher areas may be between cloud layers. Some banks drifting over tops more often in rain.
Chance of cloud free summits?	**30%**	**40%**
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Little or no sun. Visibility good where dry, but often poor in rain south and west.	Largely cloudy, rare glimpses of sun west. Visibility good west, but reduced in rain; some fog patches possible lower down.
How Cold? (at 750m)	4C. Feeling like -5 to -8C in the wind.	1 or 2C.
Freezing Level	Above the summits.	Just above freezing on highest summits.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Wednesday, 18 November, 2026

Scottish mountain terrain stays frozen this week and likely into the weekend, plus frost common into the glens. Colder air also drifts back south across England & Wales later this week, though milder air may return briefly by Saturday. Snow flurries mainly eastern and far northern Highlands in the second half of this week, otherwise much of Scotland often dry. Areas of rain and some hill snow for England & Wales. Into next week, uncertainty about the progress of Atlantic weather systems, which may pivot toward the south again, maintaining chilly easterly winds for Scotland at least, with further snow flurries possible, but there may be little precipitation western Highlands.

Forecast issued at 15:00 on Monday, 16 November, 2026

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