

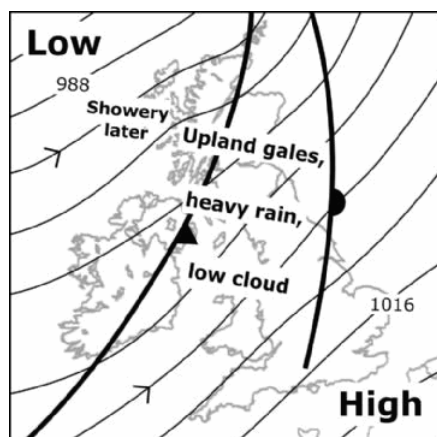
# Eryri / Snowdonia National Park

Includes all summits in the the northern half of Wales from Pumlumon northwards.



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## General Summary for Wednesday, 17 December, 2025



### British Mountain Summary:

**Based on forecast chart for noon 17 December, 2025**

Extensive gales across the hills. Rain preceded by early snow on higher terrain in the Highlands, lifting briefly above freezing to high tops. Showery bursts follow into western Scotland, heavy and frequent with hail later. England & Wales sees rain much of the day, spreading eastward, heavy at times.

### Headline for Eryri / Snowdonia National Park

Upland gales, severe high tops. Heavy rain, low cloud.

## Detailed Forecast for Wednesday, 17 December, 2025

<b>How windy? (On the summits)</b>	South-southwesterly 45 to 60mph, risk 70mph Snowdon group, powerful gusts downslope to north of higher tops. Lessening a little only late evening into night.
<b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	<b>Challenging conditions over the hills, walking difficult in places higher up, sudden buffeting to some mid-slopes.</b>
<b>How wet?</b> (Precipitation and its impact)	<b>Rain most of day, often heavy</b> Rain soon setting in from dawn, persistent widely much of the day, heaviest western areas. Into the evening, an intense band of rain, then breaking into showers into night. Very wet underfoot, streams in spate, renewed flooding likely later.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>Extensive</b> Shrouding the hills widely all day, from mid-to-lower slopes western areas, but rarely above any higher tops, best chance north of A5 and toward Berwyn/Bala groups.
<b>Chance of cloud free summits?</b>	<b>10%</b>
<b>Sunshine?</b> Air clarity (below cloud)	Overcast and murky, particularly west.
<b>How Cold? (at 900m)</b>	1 or 2C rising during day to 5C. Feeling like -8 to -12C directly in the wind.
<b>Freezing Level</b>	Above the summits, but close to very highest tops above 1000m early in day.

## Eryri / Snowdonia National Park - Looking Ahead

	Thursday 18 December	Friday 19 December
<b>How windy? (On the summits)</b>  <b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	Southerly 35 to 50mph, but direction and speed likely to vary, possibly lower speeds for periods during day.  <b>Expect arduous walking conditions and considerable wind chill on higher terrain, but may lessen for periods.</b>	Southwesterly 35 to 50mph, strongest northern tops in the morning, tending to lessen a little during day.  <b>Arduous conditions over higher mountains, frequent buffeting in exposure in morning. Significant wind chill.</b>
<b>How wet?</b> (Precipitation and its impact)	<b>Heavy rain soon setting in</b>  Dry possibly for a few hours from dawn, bar an odd patch of rain near west coast. Heavy rain moving in from south, possibly soon persistent. Breaking up into showery rain (also hail, snow high tops) evening into night.	<b>Occasional showers with hail</b>  Passing showers mostly morning, with hail briefly, falling as snow above 800m. Fading to be brief or rare afternoon.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>Fairly extensive</b>  Banks of cloud varying, most persistent south-facing slopes. Widely filling in if rain sets in. Best higher breaks Carneddau.	<b>Mostly high tops with breaks</b>  Varying cloud bases, but often capping high tops above 800m in morning, some breaks more often afternoon. Clearer well inland and east Wales much of day.
<b>Chance of cloud free summits?</b>	<b>30% at first, dropping below 10%</b>	<b>50%</b>
<b>Sunshine?</b> Air clarity (below cloud)	Overcast and dull, murky in rain.	Bursts of sun, most frequent east. Visibility mostly very good.
<b>How Cold? (at 900m)</b>  <b>Freezing Level</b>	3 or 4C, then lowering to 0C into night. Wind chill feeling as cold as -10C on tops.  Above the summits, then dropping into the night to around 900m.	0 to 2C. Feeling like -12C directly in the wind.  900 to 1000m, rising slightly just above tops later or after dark.

## Planning Outlook

### All mountain areas of Britain from Thursday, 18 December, 2025

South-southwesterly winds widely remain gale force over the mountains later this week and through into Saturday, severe upland gales for periods. More heavy rain for England and Wales on Thursday, further flooding expected; rain spreads north into Scotland, falling as snow on Munros. Showery by Friday, most frequent in western Scotland with hail, also snow over tops. Another belt of persistent rain likely arrives from the west into Saturday, snow only highest Scottish tops. A switch to east-southeasterly winds by Sunday into early next week, some residual rain and high-level snow, but a drier theme develops and favouring chillier conditions into the Christmas period.

### Forecast issued at 16:20 on Tuesday, 16 December, 2025

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