

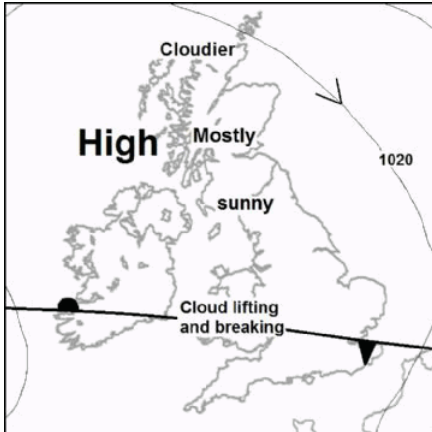
Cairngorms NP and Monadhliath

Cairngorms National Park and Monadhliath. Also includes the Ben Alder area hills between Loch Ericht and Loch Laggan.



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General Summary for Friday, 15 October, 2021



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 15 October, 2021

A crisp autumn day with plenty of sunshine and light winds for many places. Frost at dawn, particularly Highland glens. Highest Scottish summits staying near or just below freezing all day. Remnants of a front brings mostly cloudy skies to mid & south Wales.

Headline for Cairngorms NP and Monadhliath

Dry and sunny, chilly.

Detailed Forecast for Friday, 15 October, 2021

How windy? (On the Munros)	West to northwest 10 to 15mph, occasionally 20mph summits around Lecht.
Effect of wind on you?	Mostly negligible, but notable chill where exposed to wind on northern tops.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	No precipitation expected
Cloud on the hills?	Very little if any Generally well broken cloud bases with hills mostly clear. Just the odd patch now and again drifting around the tops.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	90%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Fairly sunny, although cloud may increase in afternoon. Visibility excellent.
How Cold? (at 900m)	0 to 2C. Wind chill feeling like -5C or below in the strongest breeze.
Freezing Level	900-1100m, but also frost in glens and some corries early in morning.

Cairngorms NP and Monadhliath - Looking Ahead

	Saturday 16 October	Sunday 17 October
How windy? (On the Munros) Effect of wind on you?	Southwest turning southerly, 15 to 20mph northern Cairngorms at dawn; mainly 10-15mph or less; possibly 25mph by Mostly small	Southwesterly 15 to 30mph. Speeds may vary, but expect buffeting at times on higher tops, feeling cool where exposed.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Rain unlikely most or all day Risk toward evening of a little drizzly rain moving in from the southwest. Into the night, rain becomes steadier and more widespread from the west.	Little or no rain Rain from overnight is likely to break up, leaving a generally dry day. Possible occasional spots of drizzle in the wind.
Cloud on the hills? Chance of cloud free Munros?	Mostly very little Some patchy mist in glens from dawn and banks of cloud covering some higher tops for a time, but many hills should be often clear. 80%	May persist on higher terrain Often covering mountains above 700 to 900m around Drumochter and Glen Garry, some rise of base through the day. Further north and east across the Cairngorms, mostly lifting to 1000m, with some higher breaks near Lecht. 40%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Sunshine mainly in the morning. Cloud tending to fill in through day. Visibility excellent.	Glimpses of sun mainly north of the Cairngorms. Visibility good below cloud.
How Cold? (at 900m) Freezing Level	Starting around 0C, rising slowly to 2 or 3C, then 5C into evening and night. From dawn, sub-zero above 900m, also frost in glens. Will slowly rise just above freezing point on the Munros.	7C Above the summits

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Saturday, 16 October, 2021**

A chilly start to the weekend, but milder air returns from the southwest to all regions by Sunday. Some rain, although a fair amount of dry weather too this weekend. An unsettled week ahead as low pressure moves in from the Atlantic accompanied by a series of frontal systems. Often windy, periods of gales or severe gales on the mountains. Rain heaviest and most persistent in western areas. Mild southwesterlies early in the week, then colder air returns from the northwest later in the week - temperatures falling below freezing on high tops with showers of snow. Changeable conditions are expected to continue into late October.

Forecast issued at 16:30 on Thursday, 14 October, 2021

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