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# **Cairngorms NP and Monadhliath**

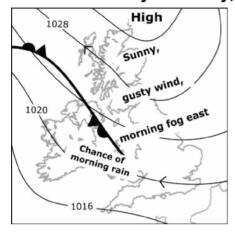
Cairngorms National Park and Monadhliath. Also includes the Ben Alder area hills between Loch Ericht and Loch Laggan.



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## General Summary for Friday, 4 April, 2025



## British Mountain Summary: Based on forecast chart for noon 4 April, 2025

Gusty winds across all areas, strongest in southwest Scotland. Speed increasing around dusk England and Wales. Eastern Scotland and England seeing mid-slope cloud in the morning, some rolling over tops of the Pennines. Chance of morning rain south Wales and cloudy, clearing for a mostly sunny afternoon.

#### **Headline for Cairngorms NP and Monadhliath**

Dry and mostly sunny. Gusty winds and feeling chilly.

## Detailed Forecast for Friday, 4 April, 2025

How windy? (On the Munros)	Southeasterly 20-25mph. Gusty, notably through elevated mountain passes and high tops. Easing to 15mph and shifting easterly through the afternoon	
Effect of wind on you?	Comfortable walking affected with buffeting gusts. Feeling chilly.	
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	No precipitation expected	
Cloud on the hills?	Tops and west staying clear	
	Patchy low-level fog on easternmost slopes in the morning. Mid-level cloud banks come and go Deeside and east Cairngorm slopes through mid-afternoon, staying mostly below 1000m. West staying clear.	
Chance of cloud free Munros?	90%, 70% easternmost areas	
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Extensive sunshine, occasional clouds easternmost areas mid-slopes.  Excellent visibility.	
How Cold? (at 900m)	4C, warming to around 6C through the afternoon. Some windward hills of Deeside and east Cairngorm mountains will be cooler.  Feeling near/just below freezing in wind.	
Freezing Level	Above the summits. Slight frosts at dawn for some glens and sheltered corries.	

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#### Cairngorms NP and Monadhliath - Looking Ahead

	Saturday E April	Sunday & April
	Saturday 5 April	Sunday 6 April
How windy? (On the Munros)	Easterly 10mph, to local gusty 20-25mph around some higher summits.	Generally southerly though variable, 10mph or less. Gusts up to 20mph eastern areas.
Effect of wind on you?	Mostly small, some buffeting gusts. Feeling cool in exposure.	Mostly small
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	No precipitation expected	No precipitation expected
Cloud on the hills?	Tops generally clear	Little or none
	Some low-level cloud coming inland from the North Sea may cover lower eastern hills early morning, briefly drifting upslope onto mid-elevations, but higher terrain likely above any cloud banks.	Some mist in glens at dawn, staying below 800-900m. Dissipating through the morning becoming cloud free by midday.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	80%	Above 90%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Mostly sunny, some thin high cloud. Visibility excellent, some early low level mist mainly in east.	Extensive sunshine. Visibility excellent.
How Cold? (at 900m)	As cool as 2C particularly eastern slopes in morning, up to 6C near/west of the A9. Feeling sub-zero in the wind.	5C, rising to 7C through the afternoon. Western areas slightly warmer.
Freezing Level	Poorly defined: above the summits, slight frost sheltered glens and some eastern mid-slopes at dawn.	Above the summits. Frost in sheltered glens at dawn and near freezing some eastern mid-slopes at dawn.

### **Planning Outlook**

## All mountain areas of Britain from Saturday, 5 April, 2025

A high pressure center lingers over Britain next week. Extensively dry and sunny, possibly warm, some high cloud coming and going. Chilly mornings in valleys, slight frost and sometimes misty, though mists will soon clear for mostly cloud-free days. Occasional cloud banks may drift into eastern areas from the North Sea, staying on low to mid slopes. Generally light or calm winds across most areas. Later in the week, some indication of a westerly breeze into Scotland which will bring back cloud and some spots of drizzle.

#### Forecast issued at 16:28 on Thursday, 3 April, 2025

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