

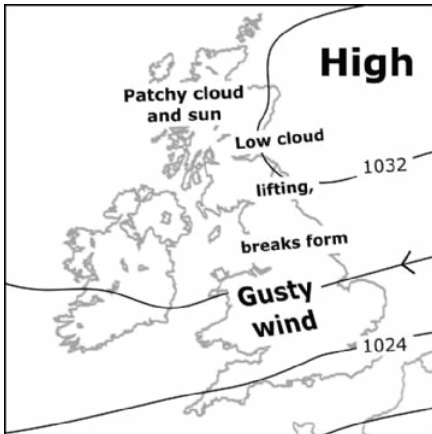
Cairngorms NP and Monadhliath

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 Tuesday, 28 April, 2026



**British Mountain Summary:
Based on forecast chart for noon 28 April, 2026**

Dry with light winds, variable cloud and sun for much of the Highlands, though central-southeastern areas start with low cloud more widely over hills, tending to thin and break. England and particularly Wales will have gusty easterly winds; low cloud fairly widely in morning with local drizzly showers, improving.

Headline for Cairngorms NP and Monadhliath

Light wind. Early low cloud mostly east, lifts and breaks.

Detailed Forecast for Tuesday, 28 April, 2026

How windy? (On the Munros)	Variable 10mph or less.
Effect of wind on you?	Negligible.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Any rain unlikely Small chance of odd spots of drizzle in the east early in the day, but likely entirely dry.
Cloud on the hills?	Varied early low cloud lifting, breaking up Fairly extensive on high terrain from dawn, lowest on eastern slopes. Highest tops may be close to top of cloud layer at dawn. Fog lifts after sunrise, drifting over some upper slopes for a few hours, then increasingly lifting above tops and breaking up.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	40% early morning rising to 90% afternoon.
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Patchy sunshine through high cloud, trending sunnier with time. Excellent visibility.
How Cold? (at 900m)	4C rising to 9C, locally up to 11C around Drumochter.
Freezing Level	Above the summits.

Cairngorms NP and Monadhliath - Looking Ahead

	Wednesday 29 April	Thursday 30 April
How windy? (On the Munros)	Southeasterly, some variability, 10mph, often less.	South-southeasterly 15 to 25mph, local gusty 30mph more eastern hills and in places downslope from northern corries.
Effect of wind on you?	Negligible.	Fairly small, but some more noticeable gusty spots, more blustery on some slopes, not just the high tops.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	No rain expected	No rain expected
Cloud on the hills?	Little or none Patchy mist in glens and corries from dawn, locally thicker layers of fog south Cairngorms. Soon lifting and dissipating to be generally clear.	None expected
Chance of cloud free Munros?	90%	Practically certain
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Widely sunny. Excellent visibility.	Extensive sunshine. Excellent visibility.
How Cold? (at 900m)	8C rising to 10 to 12C, always mildest northern Cairngorm slopes.	8C rising to 10 to 12C afternoon, warmest northwestern areas toward Monadhliath.
Freezing Level	Above the summits. Patchy frost at dawn likely in sheltered glens.	Above the summits. Slight frost in glens at dawn.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Wednesday, 29 April, 2026

High pressure brings settled weather and lots of spring sunshine through midweek, warm days with high UV; cool nights with grass frost in sheltered spots. Strong and gusty easterly winds will prevail for England, Wales and southern Scotland, whilst southeasterlies also tend to increase further across the Highlands by Thursday. Very dry grass and moorland conditions over mountain terrain continues to present a very high fire risk. A shift toward lower pressure by the end of the week brings a likelihood of showers on Friday, locally heavy. Southwesterly winds are then likely into the Bank Holiday weekend - cooler with a mix of sunny spells and showers in the extended forecast; very highest Scottish summits may dip close to freezing point.

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