

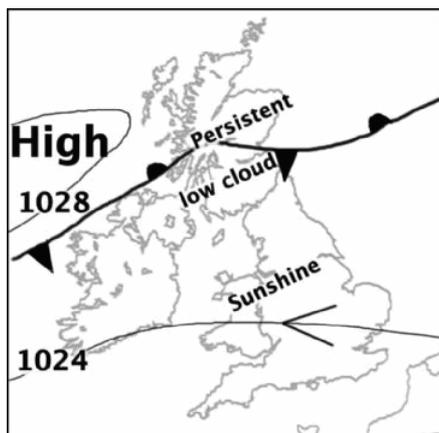
# The Northwest Highlands

Areas north from Knoydart in the west, and the Great Glen towards the east (NB. Does not include Mull and areas west of Loch Linnhe, these are found in the West Highlands forecast.)



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## General Summary for Friday, 27 March, 2020



### British Mountain Summary:

**Based on forecast chart for noon 27 March, 2020**

The remnants of a front will continue to bring dull hazy weather across much of Scotland, although the NW Highlands extensively fine with very clear air. Extensive sunshine England and Wales, though increasingly blustery.

### Headline for The Northwest Highlands

Light wind; higher tops close to freezing point. Superb visibility.

## Detailed Forecast for Friday, 27 March, 2020

<b>How windy? (On the Munros)</b>	Direction variable, becoming northerly, 10-15mph or less.
<b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	<b>Mostly negligible</b>
<b>How wet?</b> (Precipitation and its impact)	<b>Precipitation very unlikely</b> Chance of isolated brief hail flurries fare north.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>Very little</b> Fragments on some higher tops after dawn before all clearing.
<b>Chance of cloud free Munros?</b>	<b>Almost certain by mid-morning</b>
<b>Sunshine?</b> Air clarity (below cloud)	Except on coastal summits where extensive bright sun, sunshine will gradually give way as cloud mostly fills in. Visibility superb.
<b>How Cold? (at 900m)</b>	0 or -1C rising to 2C well inland afternoon.
<b>Freezing Level</b>	850, rising toward 1100m well inland. Frost many glens at dawn.

## The Northwest Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Saturday 28 March	Sunday 29 March
<b>How windy? (On the Munros)</b>	Northerly 20mph	North or northwesterly 20mph.
<b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	<b>Small</b>	<b>Small</b>
<b>How wet?</b> (Precipitation and its impact)	<b>Isolated flurries</b> A few brief flurries of hail, mainly Sutherland in morning.	<b>Isolated brief flurries</b> Rare very brief hail flurries.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>Very little</b>  Fragments will shroud higher slopes, particularly Sutherland for several hours after dawn before all cloud lifts above the summits.	<b>Extensively clear of cloud</b>  Fragments on higher areas after dawn will lift above the summits by mid-morning. Risk though of cloud base lowering afternoon or evening toward 750 to 950m, especially coastal summits.
<b>Chance of cloud free Munros?</b>	<b>90%</b>	<b>80%</b>
<b>Sunshine?</b> Air clarity (below cloud)	Patchwork of bright sunshine; most cloud Sutherland. Excellent or superb visibility.	Sunshine will become occasional as cloud progressively fills in. Superb visibility.
<b>How Cold? (at 900m)</b>	-4C. Will rise a couple of degrees, particularly south from Torridon through the day.	-5C rising to -1 to -3C, warmest inland south of Torridon.
<b>Freezing Level</b>	400m or lower at dawn with frost extensive in valleys. Will rise a few hundred metres, particularly sunlit slopes.	Terrain more or less frozen from valleys up at dawn. Will thaw lower slopes as freezing level reaches 600-900m by late afternoon.

## Planning Outlook

### All mountain areas of Britain from Saturday, 28 March, 2020

Frequently cold over the next week, leaving higher terrain in Scotland frozen and intermittently frozen elsewhere. Precipitation amounts very small, although a few hail flurries, mainly N Scotland.

Scottish MR Note: Scot Gov has stated that "essential travel only must be undertaken" in order to protect our rural communities and prevent extra pressure on our Emergency Services. Now is the time to avoid unnecessary mountain activities and consider our social responsibilities. More info, visit: <https://www.gov.scot/coronavirus-covid-19/>

### Forecast issued at 12:19 on Thursday, 26 March, 2020

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