

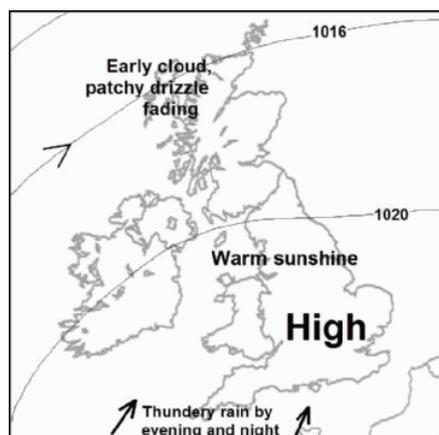
# The Northwest Highlands

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 Saturday, 14 May, 2022



### British Mountain Summary:

#### Based on forecast chart for noon 14 May, 2022

Low cloud and patchy light rain or drizzle affects western Scotland in the morning, but will break up with many mountains clearing across the Highlands. Breezy on Scottish hills, easing with time. England and Wales generally dry with light winds, warm and sunny. Risk bursts of rain spreading from south into night for Wales.

#### Headline for The Northwest Highlands

Low cloud and drizzle, fading. Wind easing.

## Detailed Forecast for Saturday, 14 May, 2022

<b>How windy? (On the Munros)</b>	Westerly, after dawn 20-30mph, strongest Sutherland. Will gradually drop to 15mph by evening, but perhaps 20mph far north.
<b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	<b>Becoming small, initially south from Torridon.</b>
<b>How wet?</b> (Precipitation and its impact)	<b>Drizzle western hills slowly fizzling out.</b> Drizzly rain still widespread western hills at dawn, but very little if any eastern hills. Through morning will fizzle out to patches drizzle near coast before gradually die out completely. Very wet underfoot from previous rain; rivers in spate.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>Blanket of fog, lowest base near coast, improving gradually.</b> Fog will shroud the mountains extensively; near the coast forming widely lowest slopes or coastal cliffs upward. Progressively inland, cloud base will be higher and will rise through the day. By late afternoon, on easternmost hills, cloud may be above 750m.
<b>Chance of cloud free Munros?</b>	<b>10% rising to 30%</b>
<b>Sunshine?</b> Air clarity (below cloud)	Widely dull and in morning misty toward the coast. Progressively inland, a little sun increasingly coming through and visibility becoming excellent.
<b>How Cold? (at 900m)</b>	4C, rising marginally during afternoon, locally to 7C around Great Glen.
<b>Freezing Level</b>	Above the summits

## The Northwest Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Sunday 15 May	Monday 16 May
<b>How windy? (On the Munros)</b>  <b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	South then southeasterly, increasing 5 to 15mph, later 20 or gusty 25mph in places.  <b>Mostly small. Later increasingly blustery some hills.</b>	Southeasterly, 20 to 40mph, speeds may vary through the day, probably least wind into the evening.  <b>Beware of changing conditions, sometimes small, but risk of considerable buffeting and sudden powerful gusts.</b>
<b>How wet?</b> (Precipitation and its impact)	<b>Rain not expected</b>	<b>Rain may become persistent from south</b>  Pulses of rain spreading from the south, although several hours likely to remain mainly dry, especially northern areas in the morning. Risk of rain becoming more widespread with time, sometimes heavy.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>     <b>Chance of cloud free Munros?</b>	<b>Little if any</b>     <b>80%</b>	<b>Becoming extensive in rain</b>  A few ragged banks of cloud in the morning, but some hills clear for a few hours ahead of rain. During and following rain, cloud then forming widely, patches to some lower slopes.  <b>60% dropping to 20%</b>
<b>Sunshine?</b> Air clarity (below cloud)	Sun in and out. Very good visibility.	Early sun soon weak as high cloud builds, becoming mostly overcast. Visibility good prior to rain, then dull or murky.
<b>How Cold? (at 900m)</b>  <b>Freezing Level</b>	8C, rising marginally to 10 or 11C some western hills by afternoon.  Above summits	5 to 9C, coolest eastern hills and if in fog.  Above summits

## Planning Outlook

### All mountain areas of Britain from Sunday, 15 May, 2022

South to southwesterly winds will prevail into early next week, bringing some spells of rain or showers, including a risk of thundery bursts in places. Wind speeds varied, sometimes reaching gale force on the tops. Rain and low cloud becoming focused on western mountains in Scotland as the week progresses, with generally westerly winds from midweek, feeling quite cool on the mountains. Higher pressure building across England and Wales should bring fewer showers and some warmer, sunnier periods. High pressure may then expand further north over Britain into next weekend.

### Forecast issued at 16:35 on Friday, 13 May, 2022

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