

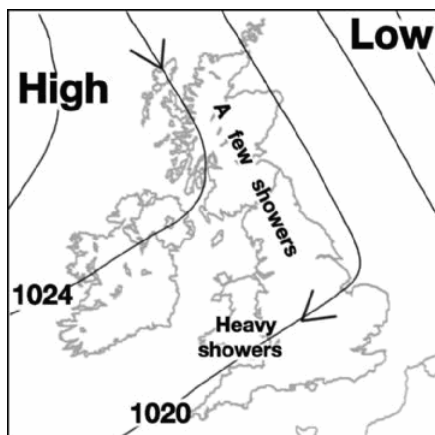
The Northwest Highlands

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 Sunday, 29 May, 2022



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 29 May, 2022

Chilly northerly winds, mostly fairly light, will bring a few showers, of snow higher areas Scottish Highlands, but the risk of heavier showery rain to Wales - mainly South Wales. Patches of sun, although extensive cloud overall.

Headline for The Northwest Highlands

Windy at first. A few showers, of snow higher tops.

Detailed Forecast for Sunday, 29 May, 2022

How windy? (On the Munros)	Northerly, 20 to on higher tops and on Skye 25mph, although for a few hours after dawn, 30 locally 35mph.
Effect of wind on you?	Mostly fairly small
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Showers or flurries Occasional showers or flurries, mostly brief, of hail or above 800m snow. For a few hours from dawn, the precipitation will be frequent whilst by afternoon, particularly near the coast, showers isolated.
Cloud on the hills?	Often covering higher tops, particularly far north Sutherland and coastal summits elsewhere: cloud base 650 to 800m rising for periods to 900m or above. Elsewhere: Cloud base will rise, by late morning, higher tops will rarely be covered.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	30% north to 80% elsewhere from late morning
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Bursts of sun. Sunnier afternoon most coastal summits. Visibility excellent.
How Cold? (at 900m)	0C rising to 3C.
Freezing Level	850m at dawn. Will rise marginally far north, but by midday above the summits elsewhere.

The Northwest Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Monday 30 May	Tuesday 31 May
How windy? (On the Munros) Effect of wind on you?	Northerly 20mph. May well tend to drop with the direction becoming varied and speeds later less than 10mph. Small	Easterly between 5 and 15mph; least wind Skye and mainland south of Torridon. Gusts 25mph in places. Mostly negligible, but near precipitation, expect sudden gusts on both higher and lower slopes.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Increasingly wet Patches of rain, or above 800m snow, from dawn, mainly north of Torridon. Will deteriorate from later morning as precipitation becomes widespread and heavy with risk thunder. Some coastal areas, particularly Skye may become dry.	Areas of rain; some heavy & thundery Overall extensive rainfall as areas of steady rain and heavier thundery showers drift within an area of low pressure. Expect hail and above 1000m snow. There may well be considerable variation in rainfall over a few miles.
Cloud on the hills? Chance of cloud free Munros?	Very extensive, particularly afternoon Temporarily, particularly south from Torridon, summits may clear. But overall, fog will cover higher areas most of the day in north and spread southwards. Typical cloud base dropping below 450m in some areas, but mostly above 700m south of Torridon. 20%	Mountains cloud covered most or all day Overall, fog will cover higher areas persistently, sometimes forming from lowest slopes up, but here and there breaks to higher summits for a few hours. Highest likelihood of cloud free summits will be near the coast south from Torridon. 20%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Little if any sunshine as it becomes widely dull and misty with particularly poor visibility heavy in precipitation.	Pockets of sun here and there, most likely near Skye. The air very clear, but due to the precipitation, often misty or murky and very poor visibility in snow.
How Cold? (at 900m) Freezing Level	2C, but up to 4C afternoon inland south from Torridon. 1050m, but 1250m away from precipitation south from Torridon by afternoon. Frost at first some valleys and upland dips.	3C 1200m.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Monday, 30 May, 2022

Relatively low temperatures on the mountains until later in the week; particularly on the Scottish highlands where higher tops will frequently be near freezing point. Showers, some heavy and thundery, giving hail and on higher tops snow, will be widespread, particularly in the afternoons, when in some areas they will merge to give a few hours of precipitation with risk thunder. Signs of a few warmer drier days toward or into next weekend.

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