

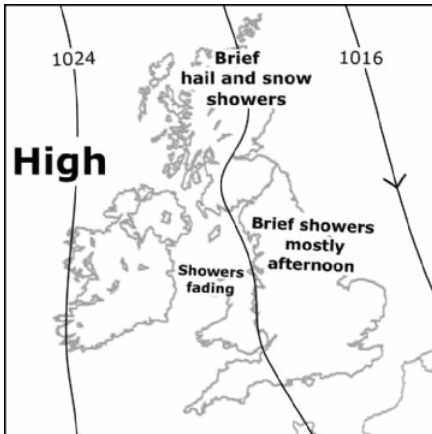
The Northwest Highlands

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 Tuesday, 11 June, 2024



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 11 June, 2024

Staying chilly across the mountains, but a gradual lift of temperature above freezing toward highest tops. Northerly winds fairly light but still a distinct chill in the air. A scattering of brief showers with hail, but a lot of dry weather with very clear air and cloud clearing most tops.

Headline for The Northwest Highlands

Chilly breeze. Scattered brief hail showers, broken cloud.

Detailed Forecast for Tuesday, 11 June, 2024

How windy? (On the Munros)	Northwest or northerly 20mph.
Effect of wind on you?	Fairly small; although in the low temperatures will feel particularly cold in the wind.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Hail showers Mostly brief hail or above 500m snow showers, although very few until late morning inland south from Ben Wyvis to Torridon. Further dusting of snow & hail on higher slopes, particularly north-facing areas.
Cloud on the hills?	Frequently clearing nearly all higher summits Near showers fragments of cloud below 700m, but mostly above 800m. Otherwise, patches on higher slopes Sutherland, Wester Ross and perhaps Skye, but otherwise summits extensively cloud free.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	70%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Bursts of bright sunshine, particularly well inland morning. Excellent or well inland superb visibility.
How Cold? (at 900m)	-1C post dawn; rising marginally near the coast and across Sutherland, but inland toward Great Glen, 3C by mid-afternoon. Wind chill feeling like -4 to -8C, coldest in morning.
Freezing Level	800m; rising marginally near coast and across Sutherland; lifting above most summits elsewhere. Frost glens at first.

The Northwest Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Wednesday 12 June	Thursday 13 June
How windy? (On the Munros) Effect of wind on you?	West or northwesterly 10 or 15mph, locally 20mph northernmost summits. Will tend to drop during the day. Mostly small, but prepare for marked wind chill especially on higher northern tops.	South to southeasterly, 20 to 40mph, strengthening during the day, especially in west, risk up to 50mph Cuillin. Deteriorating especially in the west, making walking arduous, considerable buffeting on exposed ridges.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Little or no precipitation A few brief showers, of hail or above 600m snow in the morning; locally may be more frequent for an hour or so toward the far north.	Increasing risk of rain in west Rain moving in from the southwest likely to encroach onto Skye, becoming persistent, then later extending further inland. Dry for much of the day Sutherland; chance of an isolated patch of rain forming.
Cloud on the hills? Chance of cloud free Munros?	Most summits clear of cloud In Sutherland cloud may come and go above about 700m all day. Elsewhere cloud base rising; possibly fragments at times above 1000m, but by mid morning, most or all summits free of cloud. 70%	Mostly little, lowering in rain west Local fragments, but many mountains free of cloud prior to rain. Then cloud base lowering where rain develops, to lower slopes later on/near Skye. 80% dropping to 10% in rain in west.
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Extensive cloud overall; by afternoon sunniest areas likely coastal summits near Skye. Excellent or superb visibility.	Glimpses of weak sun giving way to overcast skies from west. Very good visibility reducing to poor in rain.
How Cold? (at 900m) Freezing Level	0C rising to 2C near the coast, or 4C toward Ben Wyvis and near the Great Glen. 900m rising to 1100m near the coast and generally above the summits elsewhere. Frost widely into glens post dawn.	4 to 7C. Feeling sub-zero in the wind, below -5C as speeds increase. Above the summits

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Wednesday, 12 June, 2024

Cold conditions will ease through midweek and winds will drop lighter. Low pressure approaching from the southwest by Thursday will see winds switch south to southeasterly and strengthen to gale force over west coastal mountains. Rain will move in from the west, becoming heavy. An unsettled outlook into the weekend and early next week as low pressure circulates slowly over the British Isles, bringing areas of rain and thundery showers. Wind speed and direction will vary, at times strong easterlies northern Scotland, west to southwesterly for Wales and Pennines. Temperatures will be higher, above freezing to tops, but not especially warm.

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