

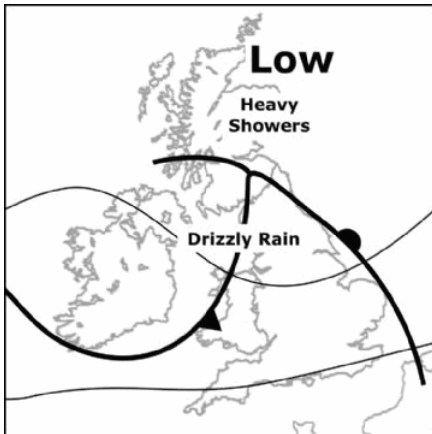
The Northwest Highlands

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 Monday, 22 July, 2024



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 22 July, 2024

A lot of cloud, often covering western hills. Patchy rain and drizzle for southern Scotland, northern England and Wales, amounts mostly small. Drier toward the north of the Highlands. Showers forming in the afternoon, locally heavy in the east. Light winds for Scotland, a fresher breeze for England and Wales.

Headline for The Northwest Highlands

Little wind. Risk local showers inland afternoon.

Detailed Forecast for Monday, 22 July, 2024

How windy? (On the Munros)	Variable, 10 to 15mph or less; may increase a little near Skye later in day.
Effect of wind on you?	Negligible.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Dry morning, local showers afternoon Extensively dry morning, localised showers forming into the afternoon, greatest risk inland and toward eastern hills later in the afternoon and early evening, an odd heavy burst. Near west coast more likely dry.
Cloud on the hills?	Mostly clear After patchy mist on some slopes in the morning, most clouds breaking, clearing the hills. Some west coastal hills may see clouds coming and going. Patches elsewhere where showers form.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	80%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Sun best in morning, some high cloud, then further cloud bubbling up inland; sunnier near west coast later. Very good visibility.
How Cold? (at 900m)	7 to 10C
Freezing Level	Above the summits

The Northwest Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Tuesday 23 July	Wednesday 24 July
How windy? (On the Munros) Effect of wind on you?	North to northwesterly, 10 to 15mph early morning, but mostly lower speeds. May increase SW'ly near Skye into night. Negligible	Southerly, increasing during the day, 20 to 35mph, gusts later 45mph on and near Skye. Increasingly blustery, starting to impede comfortable walking on exposed western ridges, later frequent buffeting.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Rain unlikely Small chance of an isolated light shower, mainly eastern hills in afternoon.	Dry most of day Spots of rain developing later from high cloud thickening in west. By evening into night, some steadier rain arriving, mainly western areas.
Cloud on the hills?	Lifting and clearing Varied banks of cloud in the morning, some on mid-slopes for a time, becoming confined to high tops, then dispersing or mostly lifting above the summits.	Little if any By late in day, possible cloud banks starting to roll onto coastal tops near Skye.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	40% rising to 70%	90%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Patchwork of sunshine, becoming increasingly sunny near the west coast. Visibility excellent.	Thin high cloud tending to thicken to make sun weaker with time. Visibility excellent.
How Cold? (at 900m) Freezing Level	6C rising to 9 to 11C, warmest toward Great Glen in afternoon. Above the summits	8C rising to 11C. Above the summits

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Tuesday, 23 July, 2024**

A ridge of high pressure produces a better day on Tuesday. Midweek onward, southwesterly winds will bring further rain from time to time, lowest cloud over western mountains. Temperatures near or a little lower than normal on the hills. Pressure tending to build from the south toward next weekend bringing drier and warmer conditions more widely. Southwest breezes toward northwest Scotland may continue to bring frequent cloud and a little rain at times here.

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