

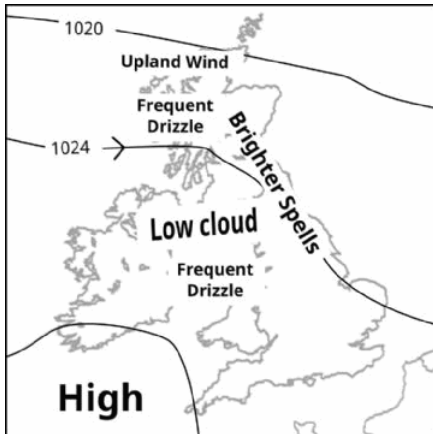
# The Northwest Highlands

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, 29 October, 2024



### British Mountain Summary:

**Based on forecast chart for noon 29 October, 2024**

Widespread low cloud, mostly dry except for western Scotland and local drizzle on hills near western coasts (Snowdonia, Lake District). Cloud breaking above eastern slopes, letting some sun through. Mostly light winds, breezier on Highlands, in the far north windy. Mild.

### Headline for The Northwest Highlands

Windy, dull, frequent drizzle or light rain

## Detailed Forecast for Tuesday, 29 October, 2024

<b>How windy? (On the Munros)</b>	Southwesterly 20 to 30mph, local gusts 35-40mph on tops near west coasts, particularly northern summits.
<b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	<b>Starting to affect balance on exposed ridges, buffeting in places, may make walking arduous. Marked wind chill on higher terrain.</b>
<b>How wet?</b> (Precipitation and its impact)	<b>Drizzly in west</b> Feeling damp on west coastal hills, drizzly rain at times. Even smaller amounts further inland, often dry toward east.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>Extensive, lowest west</b> Covering west coastal hills persistently from lower slopes upward. Progressively inland, cloud bases higher. Often covering hills even further east, some local breaks.
<b>Chance of cloud free Munros?</b>	<b>10%</b>
<b>Sunshine?</b> Air clarity (below cloud)	Grey and dull in west. Toward east, some glimpses of sun and good visibility.
<b>How Cold? (at 900m)</b>	4 to 6C, coolest west coastal hills. Feeling like -5C or locally colder on tops in the stronger winds.
<b>Freezing Level</b>	Above the summits

**The Northwest Highlands - Looking Ahead**

	<b>Wednesday 30 October</b>	<b>Thursday 31 October</b>
<b>How windy? (On the Munros)</b>  <b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	Southwesterly, strengthening from 15-20mph to 30-40mph in the evening, strongest toward Ben Hope.  <b>Starting small, in the afternoon walking becoming arduous, increasingly gusty with significant wind chill.</b>	Southwesterly, 50 to 60mph, although it may be almost calm in some glens.  <b>Difficult to severe conditions, movement on the hills hardly possible.</b>
<b>How wet?</b> (Precipitation and its impact)	<b>Local drizzle, rain possible afternoon</b> Mostly dry, local pockets of drizzle. Toward the evening increased risk of widespread rain.	<b>Local drizzle mainly west and north</b> Risk light rain or drizzle, may be fairly persistent on some western coastal hills. Rain may intensify locally in the far north later.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>Hills covered extensively</b>  Thick low cloud from glens to above most tops, highest summits may stay above the cloud. During the day cloud slowly thinning.	<b>Extensive, but tops may stay cloud-free</b>  Very low cloud persistent most of the day, tops and slopes above 600-800m should stay above cloud at least parts of the day.
<b>Chance of cloud free Munros?</b>	<b>20%</b>	<b>30%</b>
<b>Sunshine?</b> Air clarity (below cloud)	Very little or no sun.  Mostly poor visibility.	Very little or no sun, except for highest tops where above the cloud sky may be clear. Excellent visibility above the cloud, only hazy in the far north.
<b>How Cold? (at 900m)</b>  <b>Freezing Level</b>	2 to 5C. Feeling below freezing in wind, increasingly bitter toward evening.  Above the summits.	6 to 9C. Severe wind chill makes it feel like below freezing.  Above the summits.

**Planning Outlook**

**All mountain areas of Britain from Wednesday, 30 October, 2024**

West to southwesterlies prevail with high pressure extending across Britain for rest of the week, keeping dry conditions for most, although some rain may continue to affect northwest Scotland. Low cloud fairly widespread, some fog into valleys, with local inversion conditions developing. On Friday chillier northwesterly air is likely over the Highlands, dropping to freezing over higher Scottish mountains, some showers with snow - elsewhere dry and staying mild. Later back to west and southwesterlies, high pressure shows signs of keeping most of Britain dry until end of next week.

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