

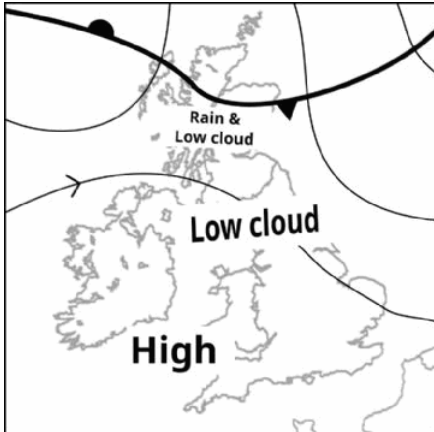
The Northwest Highlands

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 Friday, 1 November, 2024



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 1 November, 2024

Widely dull and overcast, in Highlands frequent rain, especially in the north, where windy at start. Mostly mild or warm. In England and Wales isolated spots of drizzle possible, but generally dry. Best chances for sun in northern Scotland in the afternoon, after the rain has passed.

Headline for The Northwest Highlands

Windy, murky and wet start, gradual improvement. Chilly

Detailed Forecast for Friday, 1 November, 2024

How windy? (On the Munros)	Starting northwesterly, 25 to 35mph. Gradually easing to 10-15mph and becoming variable.
Effect of wind on you?	In the morning considerable buffeting, walking strongly impeded. Becoming small.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Rain frequent first half of the day Frequent rain in the morning, moderate intensity. In far north (Ben Hope) perhaps sleet for a while. Rain moving away southward during the afternoon.
Cloud on the hills?	Extensive, chance for improvement Cloud widely covering the hills, only lower slopes at times clearing if longer breaks in rain occur. Likely breaks in the afternoon.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	40%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Overcast and dull. Chance for an afternoon improvement from the north and some sun. Poor visibility.
How Cold? (at 900m)	0 to 5C, coldest in the north. With wind chill in the morning feeling below freezing.
Freezing Level	Down to 800m in the morning in the far north, further south above the summits.

The Northwest Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Saturday 2 November	Sunday 3 November
How windy? (On the Munros) Effect of wind on you?	Southwesterly, widely 15 to 25mph, toward Ben Hope 30-35mph. Fairly small, in the far north stronger - buffeting, impeded walking and marked wind chill.	Southerly or variable, mostly 10mph or less, on western coastal hills perhaps 15-20mph. Small.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Local drizzle west and north Light rain or drizzle possible in the far north and anywhere near west coast, but most places dry all day.	Extensively dry, risk local drizzle Chance localised drizzle near western coast.
Cloud on the hills? Chance of cloud free Munros?	Extensive, breaks inland Western coastal hills covered in cloud from lower slopes upward, inland higher cloud bases, around 600-900m, here cloud lifting and breaking. Near east coast hills most of the day clear. 20%	Cloud in glens, clear higher up Low cloud in the valleys, from mid-slopes upward clear. Cloud may persist the whole day lower down. 80%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Very little or no sun. Very good visibility if not in cloud.	Plenty of sunshine and excellent visibility if above the cloud.
How Cold? (at 900m) Freezing Level	7 to 8C Above the summits.	Around 10C, lower down colder. Above the summits.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Saturday, 2 November, 2024

Back to high pressure conditions for the weekend and beginning of next week. Inversion developing means often very misty or cloudy, but tops sometimes above cloud - especially the Munros. Southwesterly winds, dry and mild conditions. Such scheme holds until mid next week, when a weak front passage will probably deteriorate weather for a day, at least in Scotland. Later another few days of often cloudy, but dry and even warmer weather. Winds may speed up again end of next week.

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