

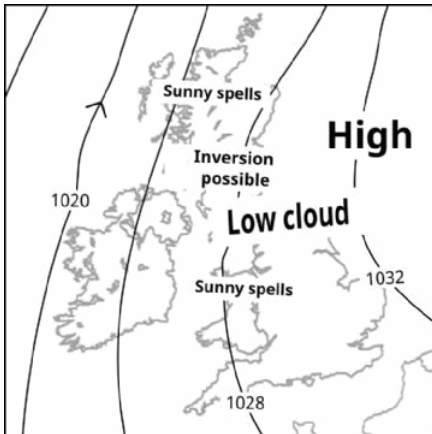
The Northwest Highlands

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 Thursday, 7 November, 2024



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 7 November, 2024

Another widely murky day, with hills often in or just below cloud, damp with local drizzle. Windy in Highlands, some upland gales. Best chances for sun in Snowdonia, in north Lake District and in Northwest Highlands and along Strathspey. Generally mild.

Headline for The Northwest Highlands

Sunny, windy, dry, warm in the north, feeling chilly Skye

Detailed Forecast for Thursday, 7 November, 2024

How windy? (On the Munros)	Southerly, 40 to 50mph near west coast, 25-30mph toward east.
Effect of wind on you?	Difficult conditions, foot placement strongly affected. Toward the east strenuous with marked wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Rain unlikely Brief local drizzle not fully ruled out.
Cloud on the hills?	Cloud on various levels widely breaking, in the north clear Cloud appearing briefly on various levels, but hills most of the time clear. In the far north very likely cloud-free.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	70%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Plenty of sunshine toward Ben Hope or Ben Wyvis, more often cloudy on Skye, mixed near Torridon. Visibility very good if not in cloud.
How Cold? (at 900m)	8 to 13C, warmest north. With wind chill feeling below freezing.
Freezing Level	Above the summits.

The Northwest Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Friday 8 November	Saturday 9 November
How windy? (On the Munros) Effect of wind on you?	Southerly, starting 30-35mph, easing to 20-25mph. Slightly weaker away from the western coast. Considerable buffeting, walking arduous or difficult, balance very hard to maintain on ridges. Significant wind chill effect.	Southerly, 10-15mph. Risk 25-30mph Skye. Fairly small, blustery in the west with marked wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	No rain expected	Rain unlikely Odd spot of drizzle possible.
Cloud on the hills? Chance of cloud free Munros?	Most likely clear Hills mostly clear, in places low cloud sitting in glens. Possibly western coastal hills covered parts of the day. 70%	Partly extensive, inland Inland low cloud around 400-700m, tops likely above the cloud. Cloud may widely break afternoon. Near Skye cloud thicker, more persistent and likely covering the tops. 40%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Plenty of sunshine for most, visibility reduced through haze. Near Skye possibly getting cloudier through the day.	Little or no sunshine and poor visibility toward Skye, better inland where visibility good and sunny spells possible.
How Cold? (at 900m) Freezing Level	8 to 11C, warmest toward north. Above the summits.	6 to 8C Above the summits.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Friday, 8 November, 2024

Southerly flow with cloudy and damp weather continues until Sunday, when a cold front from the Atlantic will bring some rain. This passes quickly and will be followed by westerlies bringing more sun beginning of next week. From Monday onward high pressure centres over the UK, sunnier and warmer conditions with hardly any rain are expected until Thursday, when another front will bring some rain and again cooler air. Unclear for next weekend, but high pressure, dry conditions are most likely.

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