

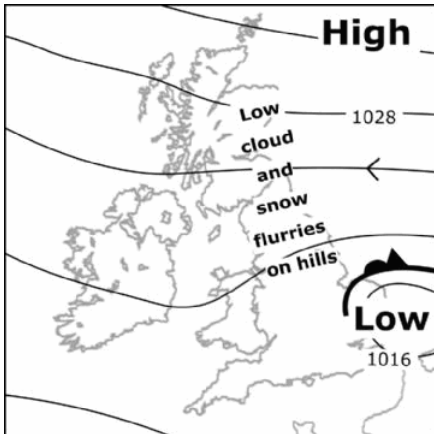
The Northwest Highlands

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 February, 2025



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 11 February, 2025

Windy and cold with most mountain terrain frozen. Snow will accumulate slowly over many eastern mountains although rain lower slopes Scottish Borders southwards. A few flurries will reach western mountains, where in places cloud will break to give a little sunshine.

Headline for The Northwest Highlands

More cloudy and snow flurries mainly more eastern areas. Terrain frozen.

Detailed Forecast for Tuesday, 11 February, 2025

How windy? (On the Munros)	Easterly; speeds very varied, typically 30mph, but 40, locally 50mph. Expect sudden gusts, in places reaching lower slopes - especially toward the coast
Effect of wind on you?	Considerable wind chill and sometimes sudden buffeting in gusts on both higher and some lower slopes.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Little or no precipitation; although snow flurries some eastern mountains Snow flurries, perhaps frequent over a couple of hours will affect more eastern slopes north from Ben Wyvis. Little if any precipitation elsewhere.
Cloud on the hills? Chance of cloud free Munros?	Most western and southern summits cloud free. Extensive elsewhere. Ranging from summits extensively free south of Ben Wyvis and toward the west coast south of Ullapool. Elsewhere, cloud base 600 to 800m, with a few patches nearer 450m easternmost areas. 70% west and south of region to 10% elsewhere
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Rare sunshine, although often sunny mainly near Skye. Excellent visibility particularly toward the west coast.
How Cold? (at 900m) Freezing Level	-2C. Will feel as cold as minus 12C due to wind chill. Nearly all terrain frozen. By afternoon freezing level around 700m or a little lower where in cloud.

The Northwest Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Wednesday 12 February	Thursday 13 February
How windy? (On the Munros) Effect of wind on you?	East to southeasterly mostly 25mph, but on higher areas 30 to locally 35mph. Will impede ease of walking on higher areas and give considerable wind chill. Sudden gusts (sometimes on lower slopes) will impact balance.	Southeasterly, typically 25mph. In places a very gusty 35mph - particularly near the coast some gusts reaching lower slopes. Will impede ease of walking on most higher areas. In places, both lower and higher slopes, strong gusts will unbalance you. Notable wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Precipitation unlikely	Precipitation unlikely
Cloud on the hills? Chance of cloud free Munros?	Extensive on higher areas; lowest cloud base toward east Cloud base typically 500 to 700m easternmost slopes north from Ben Wyvis. Elsewhere, by midday 750 to 900m, perhaps clearing some summits near the coast completely. 20%	Most summits free of cloud Mainly on more eastern summits, cloud intermittently above 750m. Elsewhere, and particularly toward the coast, the mountains cloud free. 70%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Ranging from little sun eastern hills north from Ben Wyvis to intermittent sun near the coast. Slight haze, although widely excellent visibility.	Ranging from patchy sun on more eastern mountains to extensive bright sun elsewhere. Excellent visibility
How Cold? (at 900m) Freezing Level	-3C 450m	-4C, locally 0C. Due to wind chill will feel around -12C. 450m - although near the coast locally close to or above freezing point on higher summits.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Wednesday, 12 February, 2025

Remaining cold with nearly all mountain terrain frozen for the next week or perhaps longer. Total precipitation will be small, although one or two further periods where snow showers or flurries will reach mainly eastern mountains, whilst occasionally winds strengthen and a threat of precipitation on western mountains as Atlantic fronts temporarily make progress toward western Britain.

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