

# The Northwest Highlands

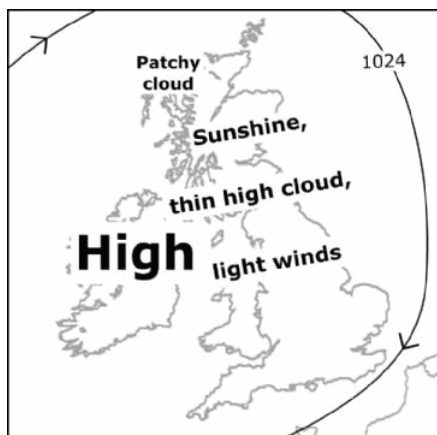
Areas north from Knoydart in the west, and the Great Glen towards the east (NB. Does not include Mull and areas west of Loch Linnhe, these are found in the West Highlands forecast.)



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## General Summary for Tuesday, 6 May, 2025



### British Mountain Summary:

#### Based on forecast chart for noon 6 May, 2025

Fine with strong sunshine for most places, beware sunburn. A little fair-weather cloud into the afternoon. Warming up after a chilly start with frost. Cloud banks affect west coastal mountains north from Mull in the morning, tending to lift and thin with time. Light winds overall.

### Headline for The Northwest Highlands

Patchy cloud west coasts. Light breezes.

## Detailed Forecast for Tuesday, 6 May, 2025

<b>How windy? (On the Munros)</b>	Westerly 10mph or less, although possibly 15mph Sutherland.
<b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	Negligible
<b>How wet?</b> (Precipitation and its impact)	No rain
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>Patchy cloud western hills, lifting</b>  Banks of cloud on west coastal slopes above 600m in morning. Tending to lift to upper slopes by middle of day, gradually dispersing, though patches may come and go into afternoon near coast. Some patches drift onto tops further inland.
<b>Chance of cloud free Munros?</b>	<b>40% rising to 70% west coast; 80% all day inland/eastern hills.</b>
<b>Sunshine?</b> Air clarity (below cloud)	Broken cloud and sun, best toward the Great Glen and Moray Firth in morning. Superb visibility away out of cloud.
<b>How Cold? (at 900m)</b>	1C at dawn; rising marginally along the west coast to 4C, locally 8C well inland and east by afternoon.
<b>Freezing Level</b>	Generally above the summits, but at dawn near freezing point higher slopes and frost both upland and lowland valleys.

## The Northwest Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Wednesday 7 May	Thursday 8 May
<b>How windy? (On the Munros)</b>	Variable direction 10mph or less.	Direction variable, 10mph or less.
<b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	<b>Negligible</b>	<b>Negligible</b>
<b>How wet?</b> (Precipitation and its impact)	<b>Rain very unlikely</b> Small risk of a light shower late afternoon into evening, mainly inland areas.	<b>Rain very unlikely</b> Small risk of an isolated late afternoon shower, mainly areas toward west.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>Not expected</b>	<b>Clearing the tops</b>  Patches perhaps widely over upper slopes in the morning, lifting above the summits by middle of the day.
<b>Chance of cloud free Munros?</b>	<b>Above 90%</b>	<b>80%</b>
<b>Sunshine?</b> Air clarity (below cloud)	Sun and high cloud, some patchy cloud bubbling up during afternoon inland. Visibility excellent.	Broken cloud and sun, best near to coasts in afternoon. Visibility excellent.
<b>How Cold? (at 900m)</b>	2C at dawn, rising as high as 11C by afternoon.	6C but some spots colder at first, rising up to 11C some inland areas by afternoon.
<b>Freezing Level</b>	Generally above the summits, but at dawn near freezing with slight frost both in the glens and on sheltered higher terrain.	Generally above the summits, but just at dawn slight frost possible some glens and sheltered higher terrain.

## Planning Outlook

### All mountain areas of Britain from Wednesday, 7 May, 2025

A quiet spell of weather as high pressure continues to dominate over the British Isles this week and very possibly well into next week too. Generally dry conditions, low risk of an isolated afternoon shower. Winds mostly light, direction variable. Chilly nights with frost in valleys and sheltered higher terrain. Becoming pleasantly warm into the afternoons. Sunshine and variable cloud, at times covering the sky, but generally above the mountain tops with excellent visibility. Very dry ground conditions, beware high risk of fire.

### Forecast issued at 16:00 on Monday, 5 May, 2025

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