

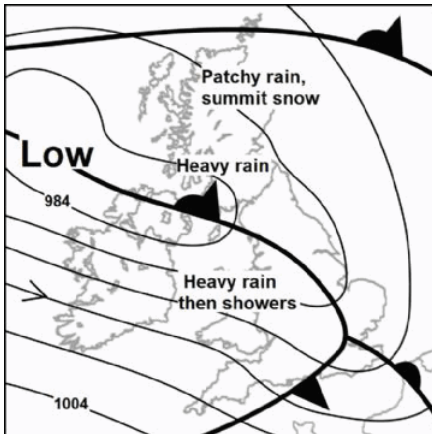
Southeastern Highlands

The southern Highlands as far west as the Callander area and north to Ben Alder, Drumochter and summits near Glenshee ski-centre (summits within the historic county of Perthshire). Also Ochils and Angus hills.



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General Summary for Saturday, 9 December, 2023



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 9 December, 2023

Patchy rain and snow on higher Scottish tops push north over the Highlands. Heavy rain sets in across south & central Scotland. Heavy rain moves across England and Wales in the morning, followed by showers. Varied winds, fairly light much of Scotland, but increasing upland gales for England, severe for Wales.

Headline for Southeastern Highlands

Areas of rain and snow on tops. Varied winds and cloud.

Detailed Forecast for Saturday, 9 December, 2023

How windy? (On the Munros)	Southeasterly or variable 15 to 25mph, local lulls.
Effect of wind on you?	Fairly small
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Periods of rain, snow tops Areas of rain and upland snow on the Munros from dawn, tending to clear northwards for a time. Further rain and snow on tops pushing in from the south in the afternoon.
Cloud on the hills?	Extensive Extensive hill fog throughout the day.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	10%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Overcast. Visibility poor, appalling in summit snow.
How Cold? (at 900m)	1 or 2C. Feeling like -5C if exposed to breeze.
Freezing Level	1000 to 1200m, lowest in constant precipitation. Lying snow on higher terrain, icy in places.

Southeastern Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Sunday 10 December	Monday 11 December
How windy? (On the Munros) Effect of wind on you?	Southeasterly or variable, 10 to 20mph, possibly strengthening a little from south during the day, gusty on some slopes. Mostly fairly small. Beware of locally increasingly gusty conditions.	Direction variable, most likely 10 to 20mph or less. Mostly small.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Dry for a time, risk rain & snow moving in. Patchy rain and summit snow around dawn soon clears. Then dry for several hours, but into afternoon risk of extensive rain and upland snow increasingly falling to mid-heights around 600m, perhaps lower.	Patchy snow mainly east Local showers or snow flurries above 900m, greatest risk toward the east of Glenshee. Central highlands may be largely dry, but risk patchy showers.
Cloud on the hills? Chance of cloud free Munros?	Fairly extensive, lowering in rain/snow Shrouding most mountain tops throughout the day, varied banks in the morning, may allow some breaks to form between layers for a time. Filling in widely if precipitation sets in. 30%	Often covering many tops Varied banks of cloud or fog from lower elevations upward. Some slopes may be between cloud banks. May persist widely over tops, breaks locally west of A9. 30%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Mostly overcast, some brighter skies for a time in morning. Visibility good when dry, but becoming poor if precipitation sets in.	Fairly cloudy, glimpses of sun. Visibility mostly good out of cloud, but locally reduced around showers.
How Cold? (at 900m) Freezing Level	1 or 2C, dipping below 0C later. Wind chill feeling like -5C if exposed on tops. 1000 to 1200m; most Munro tops at least part-frozen with varied snow cover. Lowering below 700m as precip sets in.	1 or 2C. If exposed to breeze, feeling like -5C on tops. 1000 to 1100m. Local frost pockets some glens at dawn.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Sunday, 10 December, 2023

Areas of low pressure dominate into the weekend and early next week bringing unsettled conditions as a series of fronts circulate over Britain. Periods of heavy rain, with snow over higher mountains in Scotland as tops stay near or just below freezing point. Some freeze-thaw higher up, but mid-heights generally above freezing - very wet underfoot due to rain and snowmelt, beware flooding of streams and rivers. Most tops in England and Wales above freezing with terrain not frozen apart from local snow pockets. Generally windy, gales or severe gales at times over the tops - strongest speeds most sustained for England and Wales. Least windy in northern Scotland.

Forecast issued at 16:30 on Friday, 8 December, 2023

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