

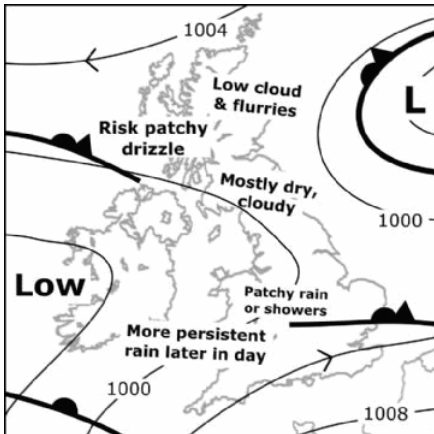
# Southeastern Highlands

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 Thursday, 4 April, 2024



### British Mountain Summary:

#### Based on forecast chart for noon 4 April, 2024

Chilly northeasterlies across the Highlands, but wind speeds tending to ease. Sub-zero temperatures across the mountains all day. A lot of low cloud, patchy snow flurries, locally drizzly. Mostly dry for northern England, some cloud breaks. Patchy rain for Wales, later turning wetter as SW'ly winds freshen; gales by dusk.

### Headline for Southeastern Highlands

Cold, brisk winds easing. Local flurries, mostly cloudy.

## Detailed Forecast for Thursday, 4 April, 2024

<b>How windy? (On the Munros)</b>	East to northeasterly 20 to 25mph, locally 30mph in morning, gusty all day on easternmost tops. Easing a little for central Highlands afternoon, but will widely strengthen again up to dusk, reaching 50mph overnight.
<b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	<b>Blustery on tops east from Glenshee area much of the day, with considerable wind chill where exposed. Improving in central areas into afternoon. Deteriorating into night.</b>
<b>How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)</b>	<b>A little snow, scattered showers</b> Occasional snow or soft hail flurries, snow falling to lower elevations in the morning. May be more frequent light snow over easternmost hills for a time. Small amounts central highlands. Extensive hill snow arriving into night.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>Most persistent eastern areas, varied on tops westwards.</b> Cloud likely to often shroud higher eastern tops throughout the day, to some mid-slopes Lochnagar area in morning. Banks drifting westwards over tops for periods, but breaking at times to upper slopes near Loch Rannoch.
<b>Chance of cloud free Munros?</b>	<b>20% east, to 40% west of A9.</b>
<b>Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)</b>	Often cloudy, glimpses of sun central highlands, visibility locally good for periods. Mostly dull eastern areas.
<b>How Cold? (at 900m)</b>	-3C rising to around 0C. Wind chill feeling like -12 to -15C on high tops early morning, easing to -7C.
<b>Freezing Level</b>	500 to 700m in the morning, lowest in east. Rising to 800-1000m afternoon, highest in central highlands west of the A9.

**Southeastern Highlands - Looking Ahead**

	<b>Friday 5 April</b>	<b>Saturday 6 April</b>
<p><b>How windy? (On the Munros)</b></p> <p><b>Effect of wind on you?</b></p>	<p>East turning southerly, 35 to 50mph, gusts 60mph+ up to dawn. A possible lull, but risk increasing again, further gales later.</p> <p><b>Beware of changing conditions, at times very difficult with powerful gusts to lower slopes. May improve for a time.</b></p>	<p>Southeast turning southerly, 50 to 70mph, reaching 80mph with stronger gusts on highest summits; continuing into night.</p> <p><b>Severe conditions over the mountains. Buffeting from low levels up. Gusts may blow you over even at mid-heights.</b></p>
<p><b>How wet?</b> (Precipitation and its impact)</p>	<p><b>Snow turning to rain, heavy at times</b></p> <p>Extensive snowfall from before dawn, initially toward lower slopes. Turning to sleet or rain toward higher levels. Risk heavy for several hours, fairly persistent all day; may ease in eastern areas.</p>	<p><b>Frequent rain, heavy for periods</b></p> <p>Extensive heavy rain from dawn, moving north, breaking up for a time, but further pulses of rain follow, may set in again for periods during the day. Into night, hail, or snow on higher Munros.</p>
<p><b>Cloud on the hills?</b></p>	<p><b>Extensive</b></p> <p>Covering the hills widely from mid to lower slopes upward most or all day.</p>	<p><b>Changing quickly, occasional breaks</b></p> <p>Cloud bases will vary, covering the mountains widely in rain. Possibly breaking up for periods to higher summits, best in east, but lowering again abruptly.</p>
<p><b>Chance of cloud free Munros?</b></p>	<p><b>Below 10%</b></p>	<p><b>30%</b></p>
<p><b>Sunshine?</b> Air clarity (below cloud)</p>	<p>Overcast and murky.</p>	<p>Mostly cloudy, brief bursts of sun. General slight haze, visibility poor in rain; occasional improvements.</p>
<p><b>How Cold? (at 900m)</b></p> <p><b>Freezing Level</b></p>	<p>Soon rising from -2C to 0C early morning. Rising to +2C, later 4C. Wind chill often feeling like -10C.</p> <p>Near/below freezing glens upward at first, rising variably, but likely to lift above freezing toward all tops.</p>	<p>4C to briefly 6C or above in east; tending to fall in afternoon, to around 1C by dusk. Wind chill feeling like -10C, later -15C.</p> <p>Above the summits most or all day, but into evening and night dropping back close to freezing above 1000m.</p>

**Planning Outlook**

**All mountain areas of Britain from Friday, 5 April, 2024**

Very unsettled into the weekend and likely next week, influenced by deep areas of low pressure centred west or northwest of Britain. Southerly gales, sustained storm-force speeds across higher mountains throughout Saturday and Sunday. Temperature rising above freezing to highest tops into Saturday, plus heavy rain sweeping north - a period of thaw across the Highlands. Cooler by Sunday, the freezing level back to 1000-1200m, then varying temperatures for the week ahead. Frequent precipitation continuing, focused on western mountains, at times persistent rainfall, intermittently snow on higher Scottish tops, plus showers with hail. Periods of strong winds continue, risk further upland gales.

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