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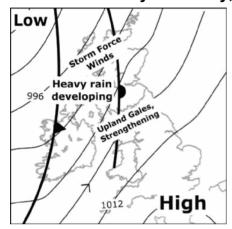
Southeastern Highlands

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 Friday, 18 October, 2024



British Mountain Summary: Based on forecast chart for noon 18 October, 2024

Southerly winds strengthening for all regions, widely upland gales, reaching storm-force on higher Scottish mountains. Rain extending in from the west becoming persistent, heavier over west and southwest Scotland. Lowest cloud on south-facing hills.

Headline for Southeastern Highlands

Upland gales becoming storm-force. Rain developing from SW.

Detailed Forecast for Friday, 18 October, 2024

How windy? (On the Munros)	Southerly, starting 40mph; deteriorating from the west during morning into middle of day, to become 50 to 65mph widely.	
Effect of wind on you?	Difficult conditions: wind chill soon severe and walking sometimes hardly possible on exposed paths; you could be blown over.	
How wet?	Dry start, rain slowly setting in from west	
(Precipitation and its impact)	Morning: Pockets drizzly rain here and there. Afternoon: Rain enveloping region from west, becoming heavier central highlands; very little reaching Angus until late afternoon.	
Cloud on the hills?	Persisting all day	
	Low cloud over the hills more or less all day, typically cloud base 500 or 600m. Some local breaks in the cloud mainly Loch Tay and Rannoch area late morning.	
Chance of cloud free Munros?	10%	
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Hardly any sun. Good visibility but increasingly slight haze.	
How Cold? (at 900m)	4 to 6C. Wind chill feeling well below freezing.	
Freezing Level	Above the summits.	

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Southeastern Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Saturday 19 October	Sunday 20 October
How windy? (On the Munros)	Southwesterly 25mph, may ease a little into afternoon. Starting to strengthen into night.	Southerly, 45 to 55-60mph most of the day, but at times intensifying to 60-65mph.
Effect of wind on you?	Mostly fairly small	Severe conditions, walking hardly possible on higher terrain but arduous at times even lower down. Significant wind chill.
How wet?	Little or no rain	Heavy rain
(Precipitation and its impact)	Possibly an odd afternoon shower.	Fairly persistent rain, heavy much of the day, slowly fading toward the evening. Very wet underfoot, possible local flooding.
Cloud on the hills?	Clearing many summits	Extensive
	On summits accessed north of Glen Garry and west of A9, by midday cloud rare below 750m and more widely 900 to perhaps 1050m. Elsewhere, summits widely clearing.	Shrouding the mountains most or all day, often from mid-elevations upward. Highest bases toward Lochs Tay and Rannoch, but rarely if at all clearing upper slopes. Bases lifting a little into afternoon.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	60%	10%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Patchwork of sun; most cloud summits accessed north of Glen Garry and west of A9. Very good visibility; only slight haze.	Overcast: glimpses of sun mainly afternoon. Slight haze, visibility poor in constant rain.
How Cold? (at 900m)	5C. Will feel near freezing point directly in the wind.	4C, tending to lower up to dusk. Feeling close to -10C directly in the wind.
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Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Saturday, 19 October, 2024

South to southwesterly winds will prevail through the weekend and early next week with centres of low pressure passing northwest of Scotland. Unsettled and windy, upland gales or at times stormy over the mountains. Periods of rain, heaviest and most persistent over western mountains. Temperatures will fluctuate, often fairly mild, some cooler days at least for Scotland, but staying above freezing to highest tops, so no remaining lying snow. Into midweek, higher pressure over England and Wales gives some drier conditions here. Subtle pattern changes later in the week may alter the prevailing wind direction, but low pressure nearby maintains an unsettled outlook.

Forecast issued at 15:48 on Thursday, 17 October, 2024

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