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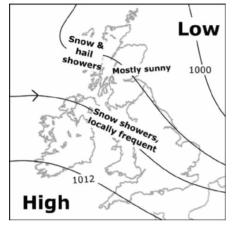
Southeastern Highlands

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, 22 November, 2024



British Mountain Summary: Based on forecast chart for noon 22 November, 2024

Cold northwesterly winds continue, strongest over England and Wales, bringing significant chill factor over higher terrain. Snow and hail showers focused near to western coasts, some moving inland, but generally dry central and eastern areas with sunshine. Snow cover most substantial in northwestern Scotland.

Headline for Southeastern Highlands

Cold wind, lessening. Often dry with sun, isolated brief snow showers.

Detailed Forecast for Friday, 22 November, 2024

How windy? (On the Munros)	Northwesterly, easing from 30mph to soon 15-20mph or less.		
Effect of wind on you?	Walking strenuous in the morning, later wind effect becoming small.		
How wet?	Extensively dry, rare snowfall		
(Precipitation and its impact)	Mostly dry, north of Pitlochry and Glenshee low risk brief, isolated snow and hail shower.		
Cloud on the hills?	Mostly clear		
	Cloud patches near highest tops possible in the morning, but hills generally clear.		
Chance of cloud free Munros?	90%		
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Mostly sunny, a few clouds toward the east and near tops above 1000m in the morning. Excellent visibility.		
How Cold? (at 900m)	-2C. Feeling like -10C directly in the stronger wind.		
Freezing Level	Most terrain frozen into glens from dawn, partial thawing to 400m locally 600m on sunlit slopes afternoon. Soon frosty again into evening.		

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Southeastern Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Saturday 23 November	Sunday 24 November
How windy? (On the Munros)	Southeasterly 50 to 70mph; powerful gusts to some lower slopes, particularly turbulent around higher mountain groups.	Southwesterly 45 - 50mph across most areas, locally 60mph highest summits.
Effect of wind on you?	Severe conditions, any activity on the exposed ridges highly dangerous regardless of experience.	Walking challenging with winds impeding progress. Gusts may impede stability. Significant wind chill.
How wet?	Heavy snowfall, changing into rain	Mostly dry after light morning rain
(Precipitation and its impact)	Dry just at first, but soon in morning heavy snowfall moving in from the southwest to be widespread, lasting into afternoon; substantial wet snow with drifting. By evening, transition to rain before fading.	Light rain in the morning will clear east, leading to mostly dry conditions through the afternoon with occasional light showers. Showers on highest peaks falling as snow.
Cloud on the hills?	Hills covered extensively	Fairly extensive, cloud breaks northeast
	Hills fully covered, very likely all day, to lower slopes much of the region.	Extensive morning clouds with occasional breaks in the afternoon, particularly on northeast aspects. Mountain tops likely within cloud.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	Almost nil	40%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Overcast, zero visibility, whiteout.	Occasional sun away from the coast on north slopes
How Cold? (at 900m)	Rising from -5C to +3C, or higher after dark.	3-4C, slightly warmer around dawn. Central areas as cold as 1C. Feeling near -10C in wind.
Freezing Level	Variable, in morning all terrain frozen, rising erratically afternoon, eventually above freezing to highest tops in evening.	Above the summits

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Saturday, 23 November, 2024

A stormy weekend as a deep Atlantic low moves in, sustained gales from low elevations upward, hurricane-force over higher terrain. A period of heavy snowfall abruptly turning to rain from the southwest as a warm front arrives - the freezing level lifting above higher mountain summits by Saturday evening. By Sunday, Scottish tops back to freezing point. Next week, windy and showery on Monday, then higher pressure tries to expand over Britain bringing drier conditions, with temperatures nearer the seasonal average compared to the current very cold spell. Some occasional rain and milder air later in the week.

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