

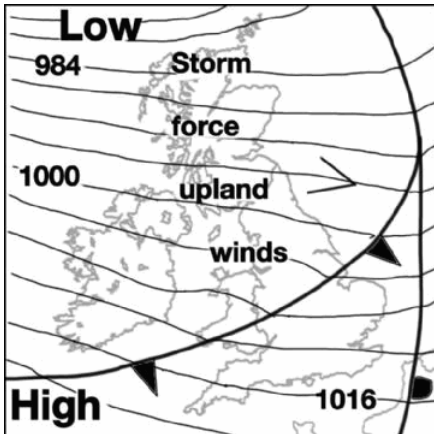
Southeastern Highlands

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, 21 December, 2024



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 21 December, 2024

Widespread storm force upland winds, strongest far north, around an intense low centred north of Scotland. Snow showers very frequent across W and NW Scotland; whilst further south showers, of snow only on higher tops. Overnight rain will clear Wales from the north morning and middle of day.

Headline for Southeastern Highlands

Storm force upland wind. Snow showers.

Detailed Forecast for Saturday, 21 December, 2024

How windy? (On the Munros)	Westerly 65 to 75mph.
Effect of wind on you?	Walking difficult where exposed on lower slopes; higher up severe wind chill and any mobility often difficult. You could be repeatedly blown over.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Hail and snow showers Showers increasingly frequent, particularly west of A9, although until late in day, substantially dry near and east of Glenshee. Hail, and to progressively lower slopes, snow.
Cloud on the hills?	Extensive on higher slopes; may clear toward and east of Glenshee Cloud base varying considerably; patches below 700m near precipitation (particularly west of A9), whilst at other times cloud base between 900 and near and east of Glenshee often above the summits.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	40%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Bursts of sunshine, although sunnier particularly lower slopes near and east of Glenshee and Ochils. Varied visibility; appalling in snow to often very good of excellent.
How Cold? (at 900m)	Dropping slowly to around -1C. Will feel as cold as minus 19C directly in the wind.
Freezing Level	Dropping slowly from 1050m at dawn to near 750m afternoon.

Southeastern Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Sunday 22 December	Monday 23 December
How windy? (On the Munros) Effect of wind on you?	Northwesterly 60mph. Arduous walking on lower slopes, whilst higher up severe wind chill and any mobility sometimes challenging.	West later southwesterly; a lull to around 20mph, perhaps strengthening toward 30mph afternoon. Mostly small; but anticipate a change to considerable wind chill and more strenuous walking.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Snow showers or flurries Occasional snow showers, although near and south of Loch Tay only a few flurries. Rain only lowest slopes.	Risk rain later in day Rain, or temporarily snow or refrozen rain above 700m, spreading east afternoon.
Cloud on the hills? Chance of cloud free Munros?	Extensive across higher areas Cloud base typically 900 to perhaps 1100m by late morning, although near showers, patches around 600m. 40%	Confined to higher tops; highest cloud base south of Cairngorms Moderate confidence of cloud lifting off summits below 900 to 1100m for a few hours, particularly toward and east of Glenshee. But risk deterioration as cloud fills in above 500m before dusk. 40%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Bright sunshine, particularly toward central belt. Very varied visibility, sometimes excellent, but very poor or appalling in snow/blowing snow.	Little or no sunshine as cloud thickens from west. Visibility excellent.
How Cold? (at 900m) Freezing Level	-2C, may rise marginally through the day. Will feel as cold as minus 19C directly in the wind. 600m	-1C rising to 0 to 2C toward or after dusk. Will feel as cold as minus 7C directly in the wind. 700m, transitioning to above the summits, initially near the west coast, afternoon onwards.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Sunday, 22 December, 2024

A change in the weather pattern from Tuesday as high pressure progressively envelops Wales and England. Here, as in S Scotland, extensively dry and much less windy. Mild - although frost in valleys some nights. Still windy Scottish Highlands, here very mild with lying snow substantially melting. Rain frequent NW Highlands, and less so W Highlands. Further east little or no rain.

Forecast issued at 12:04 on Friday, 20 December, 2024

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